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PROFILE

Graduate inducted into Hall of Fame

By Shane Sherwood
Senior Reporter

It was a real California affair with stretch limousines and Jaguars.

Former Northwest graduate Jean Jennings Bartik was recently inducted into the Computing History Museum Hall of Fellows during the Computer History Museum gala, Information Systems Vice President Jon Rickman said about the Computer History Museum gala in Mountain View, Calif. She was one of the first programmers for the ENIAC, one of the first stored-program computers in 1945.

Born 40 miles outside of Maryville, Bartik attended what

was then Northwest Missouri State Teachers College. She earned her Bachelor of Science in mathematics. Bartik later earned a masters degree in English from the University of Pennsylvania. Bartik was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Science from Northwest.

While attending the University, Bartik remembers one day when she was playing bridge, and then something happened.

"Someone came running in and yelled, 'Japan is bombing Pearl Harbor,'" Bartik said. "The campus cleared out pretty fast. The next year there were very few men on campus."

In 1945, Bartik began her work

with the ENIAC computer. Without using a manual, Bartik and the other female engineers had to teach themselves the computer's operations from the machine's block diagrams.

"We had to program the machine in a little bit of time," Bartik said. "We worked like dogs to get it done."

Because of Bartik's many accomplishments, she has been featured in Popular Science Magazine, Rickman said.

Bartik also helped design the UNIAC, the first successful commercial computer. She was one of three women on the design team, Rickman said.

The computer was finished on Feb. 19, 1946, Bartik said.

While programming the ENIAC, Bartik remembers the times with the other programmers.

"The main things we talked about were computers and religion, even though we weren't supposed to discuss religion," Bartik said. "We became crazy about each other."

The ENIAC consisted of 18,000 vacuum tubes, weighed 30 tons and was over 700 square feet in size, Bartik said.

The team of programmers wrote the program and placed it on the ENIAC, which had hundreds of wires and 30,000 switches, she said.

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NORTHWEST GRADUATE Jean Jennings Bartik has several computing accomplishments to her name, including working on the first computer and being featured in Popular Science Magazine.

PROPOSITION A

Maryville schools give Prop A an 'incomplete'

By Sean Callahan
Missourian Reporter

Missouri voters' approval of Proposition A will loosen gambling restrictions and is expected to provide millions in additional funds to education.

However, Maryville schools will take a wait-and-see approach, Assistant Superintendent John Zelif said.

"We're hold-harmless, so that may never happen," he said, explaining that hold-harmless means "you don't get less money than you got before, but you don't see an increase."

More than 56 percent of Missouri voters, including 50.7 percent of Nodaway County voters, approved the ballot issue during the Nov. 4 election.

Under the new law, gamblers will no longer face a \$500 loss limit at Missouri casinos. The law also prohibits any future casinos from being built, and increases the casino gaming tax from 20 percent to 21 percent.

The one percent gaming tax increase is designated for a new Schools First Fund, which is to be audited annually to ensure that all money is being properly distributed to Missouri schools.

The fund is expected to generate about \$118 million for fiscal year 2010, according to the Missouri Department of Early and Secondary Education. The DESE expects \$73,249 to go to the Maryville R-II school district, assuming the \$118 million figure is accurate.

Proposition A might change the district's hold-harmless status, said Missouri DESE Associate Commissioner Gerri Ogle.

"If [the simulation] is showing Maryville, then while Maryville has been a hold-harmless district, the change brought about by Prop A will bring them above hold-harmless and that would bring about that increase," Ogle said.

Still, education funding is never a sure thing, Zelif said.

"We just have to wait and see," he said. "I'm not going to make any projections based on that. I don't think it would be prudent right now."

Two other Nodaway County school districts should receive funds according to the DESE simulation. Nodaway Holt R VII is expected to get \$16,282 and West Nodaway R-I could receive \$26,544. Four others, including Northeast Nodaway

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UNIVERSITY NEWS

LET IT SHINE

By Whitney Keyes
Managing Editor

This is the first in a two-part series. Check next week's Missourian for a followup on the streetlights.

At 9:45 p.m., she was walking to Wells Hall, covering her head from the rain with her light green wind jacket. It was dark, she knew, but she thought he saw her illuminated by the streetlights.

He didn't. At 11 p.m., she was strapped onto a gurney, waiting in the emergency room at St. Francis Hospital.

Northwest junior Amelia Tegerdine was in the crosswalk on Seventh Street, right between Roberta Hall and Wells Hall when she was hit by a truck on Oct. 21.

"I saw a car coming, he was at the stop sign," she said. "I thought he was going to stop and I crossed and then I woke up."

Junior Jon Guyer was driving to the library and after stopping at the stop sign, continued on his way, driving about 15 mph.

It was raining hard that night, and Guyer said he was going under the speed limit and not using his cell phone for that reason.

When he saw her, Guyer said he slammed on his brakes, but it was too late.

The next few minutes are still fuzzy for both Tegerdine and Guyer. He said he jumped out immediately, since he is CPR and first aid certified and tried to help.

She said she's been told she crawled to the grass, but she isn't sure.

"I had this odd rolling feeling and then I woke up, there were three girls around me and they were calling the police," she said.

Tegerdine was taken to the hospital and released a few hours later. She suffered no major injuries, only bruises and an all-over ache.

While it was raining the night she was hit, some students have been left wondering if campus is too dark.

"Some places are well-lit, but that entire area is hard to see," Guyer said.

"I don't attribute it to the streetlights, but that was a factor. More lights would have made a difference," Tegerdine said.

Campus Safety Director Clarence Green said in his 13 years at Northwest, there have only been four or five people struck by vehicles on campus.

"That's .5 people a year," he said.

Green just completed a lighting survey on campus that says lighting on the Northwest campus exceeds expectations. The Illuminating Engineering Society of North America's guideline for lighting recommend lights with footcandles between .6 foot and one foot, at a minimum. On average, Northwest's streetlights have a 1.32 footcandle, Green said.

A footcandle measures the light on a surface, according to Gelighting.com.

Green said there are spots on campus with deficient lighting, such as the crosswalk between the Administration building and Thompson-Ringgold, however, where Tegerdine was hit, lighting exceeds IESNA recommendations.

"When it's raining at such harsh intensity, it distorts light," Green said.

Other factors for light distortion include the foliage from trees on campus, the cleanliness of the lights themselves and also the type of lighting.

Campus Safety officers check weekly for malfunctioning streetlights. They also conduct lighting studies three times a year, in spring, summer and fall.

"A lot of students think an area is too dark, but it actually exceeds expectations, it's about perceptions," Green said.

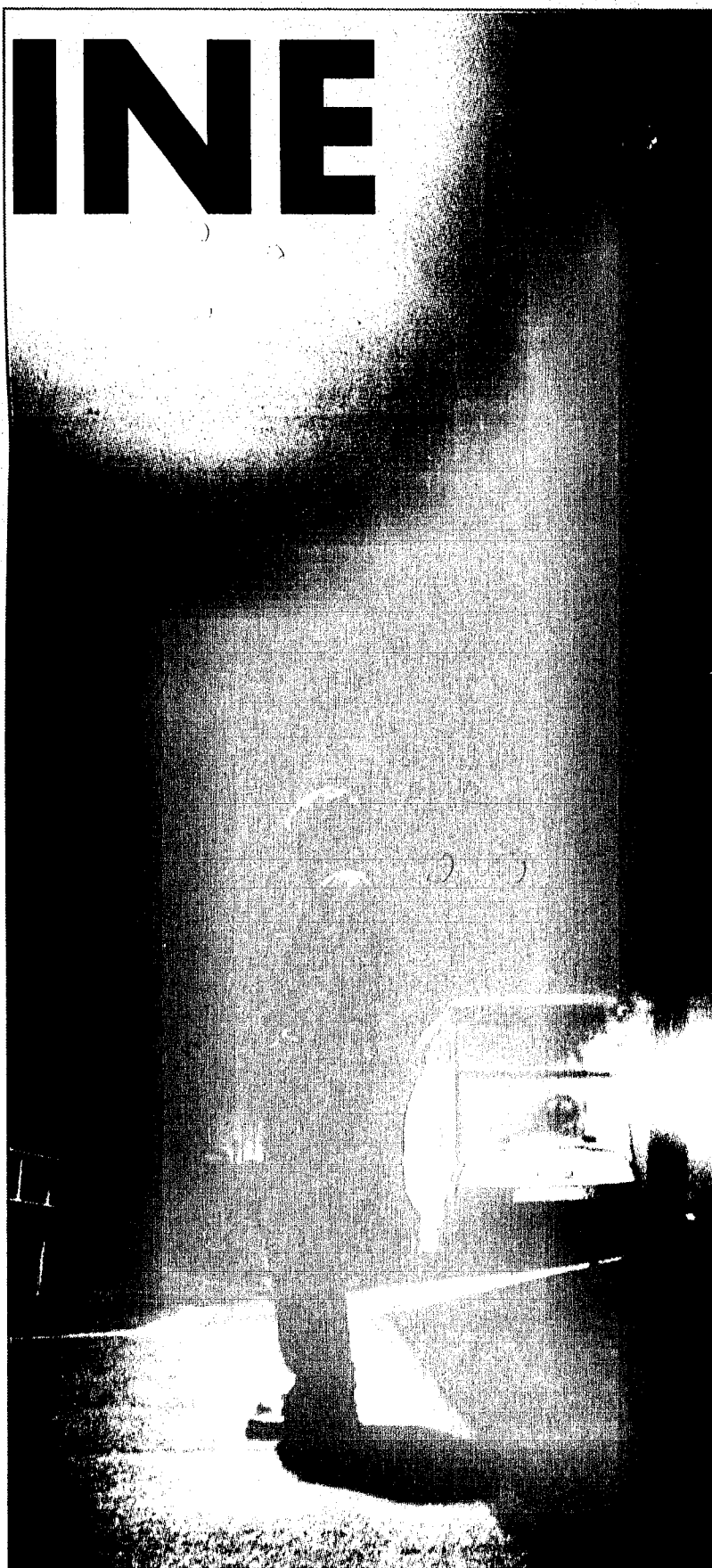
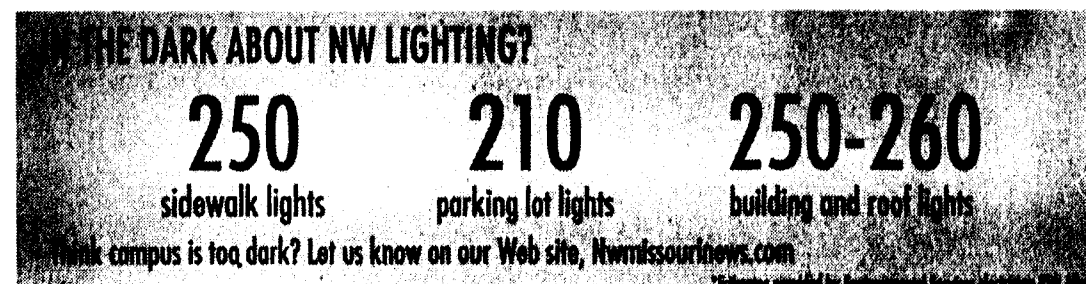


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Northwest student Dillon Rohrer waits until it is clear to use the crosswalk on campus. There are 55 crosswalks on campus, said Campus Safety Director Clarence Green.

ELECTION 2008

Northwest students weigh in on national, state, local issues in Maryville

By Katie Luers
Chief Reporter

Northwest students made up approximately 6.5 percent of Nodaway County voters on Election Day.

Six hundred and fifty Northwest students showed up at the polls to vote for local, state, and national candidates.

In the weeks leading up to the election, many students on campus switched their voter registration to

Nodaway County.

Sophomore Aaron Smithmier from Excelsior Springs, Mo. voted in Nodaway County this fall. He became informed about the candidates before voting, he said.

Many of the local candidates did not seem to have major distinctions by party. There wasn't a large difference between the Republicans and Democrats, they just fell under a large party umbrella, he said.

He felt other students did not become informed about the local

candidates before they voted.

"They voted due to peer pressure and bandwagoning," Smithmier said.

Freshman Kirk Skoglund is from Nodaway County and used the local newspapers to inform himself about the candidates, he said.

He didn't notice a lot of local campaigning on campus, but there was a lot of party campaigning by the Young Democrats and College Republicans, Skoglund said.

Everybody had signs everywhere,

he said.

This included himself and his roommate who displayed campaign posters in their room.

Skoglund knows quite a few people who changed their registration to Nodaway County this year. But a lot of people don't go to see the candidates, including local people, he said.

It's fine for the students to vote for Missouri's national and state representative, but he is not sure about voting for local officers, he said.

"I don't have a whole lot of a problem with it," Skoglund said.

This year a total of 750 students registered on campus and 650 students voted on campus, Volunteer Services Coordinator Amy Nally said.

The number of Democrat and Republican voters on campus is not known, because the people who registered do not have to register with a party, Nally said.

Three Republicans and five Democrats won local elections in Nodaway County this year.

UNIVERSITY PROFILE

Faculty member goes abroad

By Stacie Zika
Missourian Reporter

He loves fishing, hiking, being outdoors and is fluent in Swahili. If he isn't in Thompson-Ringgold there's a good chance you might find him doing something outdoors.

That is unless it's during the summer-time, because then he may not even be anywhere on this continent.

Brian Hesse, assistant professor in the History, Humanities, Philosophy and Political Science department, he holds a doctorate in International Relations and has a real passion for Africa.

"From the time that I was an exchange student in east Africa I fell in love with the diversity of Africa," Hesse said. "I wanted to be an advocate for Africa and share the continent with as many people as possible. Africa is so big and so diverse that you could spend a lifetime just traveling on that continent."

His adventurous curiosity may

be one of the factors that drives Hesse to lead many photographic African safaris. But his wife, Karen Hesse, thinks that his passion is also something that is a big factor in all his traveling, she said.

"He is very intelligent, funny, and is very passionate about what he does," Karen said.

Brian studied abroad in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania as an undergraduate student and it really opened his eyes to many different traveling experiences, he said. Those traveling experiences include living in the United Kingdom for several years, traveling to Japan, proposing to his wife while in Zimbabwe and honeymooning in Tanzania. Brian has taken many trips to Africa with students and fellow professors and has lead many different safaris across Africa.

Brian loves to be immersed in the culture, the wildlife and the people's lives and stories. The immersion is what keeps him coming back because it is always a learning experience, he said.

rience, he said.

"Being on foot with a massive bull-elephant standing over you, pulling branches down above you, and eating and excepting your presence and never being in danger during that whole encounter. It's a pretty powerful experience to be humbled. Here you are just the equivalent of a human to an ant but you're the ant. This animal is over the top of you with nothing between you and it. It's a very profound experience," Brian said.

The generosity of the African people is one of the most enduring things about the continent. Even though they may be extremely poor they are still willing take in foreigners, strangers and give them whatever they can, Brian said.

While in Congo last June, Brian caught a parasite. He was able to be treated and was fine. Many people would be bitter after becoming ill, but he chooses to not focus on this; he loves Africa regardless.

"Africa is so often portrayed



ASSISTANT PROFESSOR BRIAN Hesse spends his time abroad educating people of all ages and learning something about the world himself.

photo submitted by Brian Hesse

ACADEMY PROFILE

Student places in top 2 at ROTC Ranger Challenge

By Stacie Zika
Missourian Reporter

The fact that she was one of the youngest and one of the few female competitors didn't stop her.

Deanna Macmillan, a Missouri Academy senior, participated in the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps Ranger Challenge on Oct. 27th.

This year the teams were required to have a female cadet. Macmillan stepped up to fill this position for the pony Express Battalion.

"Deanna is bright and articu-

late, and the things she does come from the heart," said Major Brian Stackhouse.

Battalion Commander, Northwest senior Trenton Coyle described Macmillan as very motivated, driven, and having a contagious, positive attitude.

Macmillan's dedication was rewarded when she received first in the female physical challenge, beating the other 15 female cadets. She also received second place for overall score.

This is quite an achievement considering there were 145 cadets,

male and female, competing, Stackhouse said. Having a female cadet place second overall does not happen very often and is quite an honor, he said.

"It was a great feeling to get second," Macmillan said. "I was really proud but mostly surprised because I didn't expect to do that well," she said.

Macmillan made her battalion leader proud as well,

"I think she represented what we do here very well," Coyle said. "I have never once seen her give up," Coyle said. "She works hard

at everything she does, and has an unrelenting good attitude. No matter what the task is she always has a smile on her face," he said.

At first, Macmillan joined the ROTC program just to stay in shape and participate in competition, but it also was a great way to prepare for the Air Force Academy, ROTC has taught her basic battle tactics and has prepared her for how things will work later, Macmillan said.

"My favorite part of ROTC is the people," Macmillan said. "Most people think Army guys are all tough and just kill, kill, kill,

but they are hilarious and a lot of fun to be around," she said.

Next fall, Macmillan will attend the Air Force Academy, which is similar in prestige to West Point Military Academy, Stackhouse said.

Macmillan is considering becoming a pilot in the Air Force and is excited to attend the academy.

"I was excited more then ever after I was accepted," Macmillan said. "I really wanted it, I had dreamt about it since the seventh grade. So, it was really good news to hear that I had actually been accepted."

CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS

ROTC exceeds expectations

By Stacie Zika
Missourian Reporter

Macmillan was not the only one who did well at the Ranger Challenge.

The top nine cadets from the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps Pony Express Battalion participated in the Ranger Challenge held at Camp Dodge, Iowa.

The Pony Express Battalion, made up of several colleges including Northwest, got first place in the patrolling, fifth place in the physical test and sixth in the rifle event.

Overall, the battalion received

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BRIEFS

Museum hosts brunch

Reservations for a holiday brunch at the Nodaway County Historical Museum are now being taken.

The event will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday Dec. 6 at the museum at 110 N. Walnut St. The menu will include breakfast casserole, fruit, an assortment of breads, orange juice, coffee and tea, along with jam and clotted cream.

Reservations are required and tickets are \$10 each. For more information, call 582-4998.

Man gets 7-year sentence

Two men involved in the Nov. 16, 2007 death of Donald Ray Gardner Jr. have been sentenced to prison on involuntary manslaughter charges.

Circuit Judge Roger Prokes gave Erik B. Romig, 27, a seven-year sentence on Monday for involuntary manslaughter. Buchanan County Judge Randall Jackson, earlier sentenced Nicholas Rosencrans, 22, to seven years in prison for his involvement in the death of Gardner.

Romig's attorney said he was seeking probation or at most a five-year prison term for his client.

Rosencrans case had been moved to Buchanan County following Rosencrans' request for a change of venue from Nodaway County.

On Nov. 16, 2007, Romig and Rosencrans reportedly had a dispute with Gardner over a debt at Romig's apartment. Gardner, 46, was beaten and dragged into a field where he later died.

Humane society lunch planned for this afternoon

The Humane Society's Fall Luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today at the First Christian Church, located at 201 W. Third St.

Soup, salad, sandwiches and dessert will be available for \$6. The event is hosted by Northwest's 102 River Wildlife Club and JC Penney's employees.

PROFILE

Students reflect on service

By Shane Sherwood
Senior Reporter

The first time he was deployed to Iraq he was 19 years old.

Adam Wright, currently working on a degree from Northwest, has been to Iraq twice. He serves in the Army National Guard.

Wright's older brother and father served in the military, but he does not consider his military family as a reason for serving in the military.

"I chose the Army National Guard so I could serve my country and go to college at the same time," Wright said. "I also felt that I should do something after Sept. 11."

Wright joined the Army National Guard on April 25, 2002 when he was 17-years-old, the earliest age someone can sign up for the military.

He did his basic training at Fort Leonard, Mo.

"I toyed around with the idea of serving in the military for a while, but then I realized I probably couldn't pay for college," Wright said. "My dad brought up the idea of the (Army) National Guard."

During his tours in Iraq, Wright remembers most of what the experiences were.

"It made me have to grow up really quick," Wright said. "There are also a lot of fun times, but then there are the few bad times. It evens out."

Fighting in Iraq takes a lot of courage, Wright said. He does not regret ever serving in the military. He also plans to make a career in the military plans to be in the military.

tary for at least the next 20 years.

"Serving in a war takes a lot of self-courage every day to go out on combat missions and not be scared," Wright said. "That has given me a lot of self confidence back in the real world."

Unlike Wright, Navy soldier Randy Sullivan has not been stationed overseas. He has mainly been stationed around the United States. He is about to be stationed around the Seattle area.

Sullivan currently resides in the Stanberry area; he joined the Navy for more personal reasons.

"I would rather be fighting and take that responsibility than to have my mother and younger brother worry about the security," Sullivan said.

The Navy was not Sullivan's first choice. He wanted to join the Air Force until he talked to an Air Force recruiter.

Sullivan did his basic training at King Bay, Ga.

One of Sullivan's proudest moments was when he was awarded his Dolphin Badge. This award certified him in using a submarine.

"The badge is symbolized by two dolphins on each side with a ship in the middle," Sullivan said.

Gaining many leadership skills is one reason for joining the Navy, Sullivan said.

Sullivan would tell anyone interested in joining the military to think about it before just doing it.

"It is a big choice to make in someone's life," Sullivan said. "There will be tough times, but it is completely worth it."



MEMBERS OF THE Maryville Boy Scout Troop bring in the American flag for the Veterans Day Assembly. The assembly took place on Tuesday, at the Maryville High School.

VETERANS DAY

Soldiers recognized at Maryville High School assembly

By Lindsay Jacobs
Copy Editor

While American flags lined the sidewalks of Maryville Tuesday, and people took time out of their day to reflect on others' sacrifices for their country, Maryville High School had a celebration of its own.

Students gathered for an assembly to pay tribute to those serving the United States.

Social Studies Department Chair Catrina Pelton helped plan the event and hopes students came away appreciating every soldier's efforts.

"I hope the students take away from this that the soldiers that are fighting over there are real people, that every soldier has a different experience, and that serving our country is not something to be scared of, that it's something to be honored," Pelton said.

She also wanted students to redefine what a veteran is to them.

"It's very important for students to realize what a veteran is, especially in the circumstances we're in now where they know more people and it is home for so many more of our students," Pelton said.

Thomas Herron, a sergeant in the Army gave the keynote speech.

Herron, a sophomore at Northwest, enlisted in the U.S. Army in 2004 at the age of 17.

When he was 19, he found out he was being deployed to Iraq. He spent 11 months and seven days stationed there.

While he was in Iraq, he serviced and inspected Apache Helicopters.

His father served in the Air Force during Vietnam.

"I grew up on his stories, his pictures and the things he did," Herron said.

After watching what happened on Sept. 11, 2001, he told the crowd he felt obligated to serve his country.

Herron said he was appreciative for the opportunity to speak. He wanted the students to know there are other ways to serve their country besides joining the military.

"I feel it's important to let the young people know what's going on overseas and what they can do for their country," Herron said.



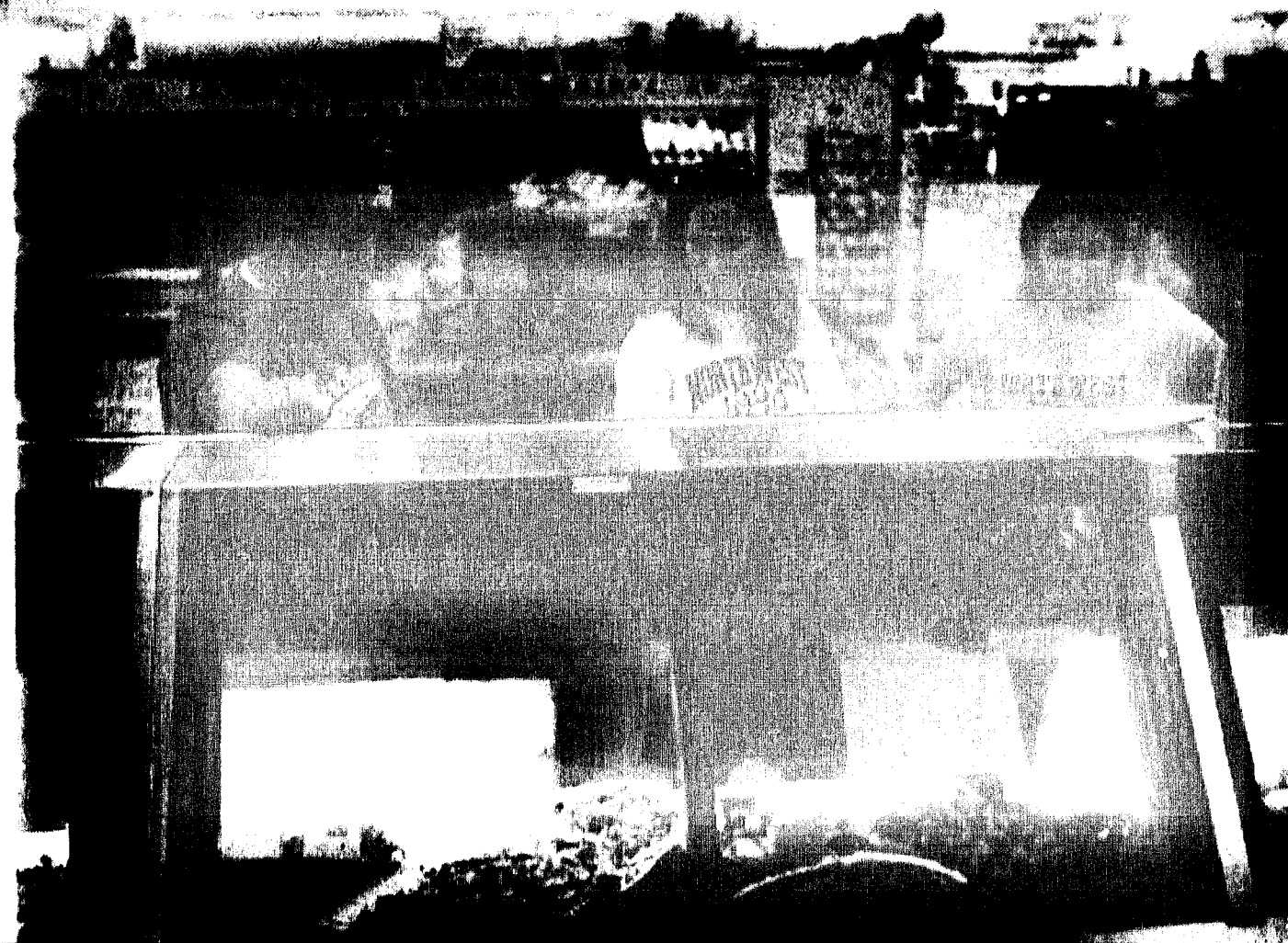
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OUR VIEW

Bin Laden hunt renewed with new president

And you thought "Where's Waldo" was hard . . .

President-elect Barack Obama has apparently turned his attention toward the Afghani-Pakistan border and the known multi-murderer hiding in the mountains there.

About time. Since 2001, when U.S. forces made the disastrous and embarrassing decisions that led to his escape, Osama Bin Laden, head of Al-Qaida, is believed to be hiding in this area of Afghanistan, ducking into Pakistan whenever American forces get too close. Because of touchy relations with Pakistan, we can't follow him in. This area is highly tribal, and, despite a tempting \$25 million reward, efforts to find him have been unsuccessful.

The idea of capturing Bin Laden is now more enticing than ever. It could prove to be not only a boost for President-elect Obama, whose naysayers claimed he was too inexperienced for the job, but Democrats in general would probably love to claim bragging rights. Democrats are traditionally thought to have less clout when it comes to foreign affairs.

Besides giving Democrats bragging rights, a Bin Laden capture might also give a reasonable excuse for leaving Iraq/Afghanistan with some measure of dignity intact. We claimed the only reason we were there was to avenge Sept. 11. If we capture the real parties responsible, our mission is over and the troops can come home.

But before the Democrats start dreaming too big, which is, after all, their forte; there is the difficult matter of actually capturing "America's Most Wanted."

CIA officials warn it will take a lot of intelligence gathering, something they have had little luck with. And since Obama has not introduced any new ideas about how to make inroads in this area, we at the Northwest Missourian can only assume, for the moment, that big dreams are still the order of the day.

CORRECTION

In the Nov. 6 Missourian, the correct name of the man in the top-right photo for "A blue November" is Richard Steffens.

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OPINION

NEWS

In other news... Backup trucks were needed in the collection of Palin's pantsuits.



MY VIEW

Obama's actions in first 100 days will be crucial

In 11 weeks, the first black president, Sen. Barack Obama, will be inaugurated into the White House. His actions during the first 100 days will be crucial to keeping the trust he gained with his supporters and earning the trust of those who opposed him.

America will see change. Now the question is whether this is the change she desires.

During those initial days as president, Obama plans to put at least four of his policies into action. He said there is no time to put off certain issues such as clean energy, health care, education and tax relief. Along with those ambitious efforts, Obama also wants to

start putting other priorities in order. During his campaign, Obama identified his priorities: withdrawing from Iraq, talking with Iran, tackling immigration and renegotiating trade rules with the country's neighbors. These priorities will start to climb up the list when his initial policies have passed.

Obama is ambitious. It is not uncommon for a new president to pack too much on his plate; it can be either disastrous or marvelous.



Darleen Denno
Contributing Columnist

in history. It has been four decades since the Civil Rights Act passed, and now King's dream has come

It would be upsetting for America's first black president to fail horribly due to too much ambition, but it is a risk that will be taken. His may become the best presidency America has ever known — achieving all his aspirations.

Martin Luther King Jr. would have been weeping in joy at this historical moment where the election coverage clips of praising, shouting and rejoicing were shown when Obama won the electoral votes from a particular state.

One example of the civil rights movement could be seen throughout parts of the 2008 election coverage. The program would cut to shots of the Ebenezer Church located in Atlanta, Ga. This church impacted the Civil Rights movement greatly. During the election coverage, clips of praising, shouting and rejoicing were shown when Obama won the electoral votes from a particular state.

MY VIEW

Possible Second Amendment restrictions should be reasonable

Due to the response of an overwhelming number of United States citizens lining up at gun shops after the presidential elections were over, and Sen. Barack Obama was named the victor, I feel it necessary to once again go over the Second Amendment, which states "a well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed".

Just this past June, the Supreme Court made a historical decision in Heller v. D.C., the first time this issue had been looked into for nearly 70 years.

In this decision, the majority of the justices, albeit a bare majority of 5-4, determined the right to bear arms was an individual right. However, since the case was over the District of Columbia's restrictions and regulations over individual gun ownership, and not an issue of any of the states', this decision can't be applied to

the states under the 14th Amendment's Due Process clause, which was intended to make the federal bill of rights applicable to the states. The recent presidential campaign once again made individuals fear the "right to bear arms" would not apply to them, and if so, there would be huge restrictions upon that right.

Obama has publicly stated he does, in fact, support the argument that the second amendment does apply to the individual. However, he has also publicly stated his belief in restrictions to reduce crime rates. Some of these restrictions could include an increase in background checks when one purchases a gun, or data tracing crimes and gun use more accessible, among others.



Kathleen Wilmes
Contributing Columnist

topic come up once again. The decision made in June set a new precedent. However, this precedent still doesn't have the same amount of strength to it as others, such as the one set in Roe v. Wade, or other decisions made over other hotly-debated issues. The decision made only slightly tipped the scales, and was not unanimous by any means. These two things — a

new precedent and a close decision — combine to make the ruling decision compared to others.

At any time, the Supreme Court could change its mind. And let's not forget this decision only applies to the federal government since it was an issue of the District of Columbia, and not a state issue where the 14th Amendment could be applied.

You and I will most likely hear about this again as states try to pass legislation restricting the Second Amendment. But keep in mind that even if this decision was to be accepted by the states, every civil liberty is restricted to some degree, be that speech or search and seizure. When a group of people join or create a political unit, individual liberty is, and must be, limited as the state's interests begin to override the interests of the individual. The question is, and will be, to what extent are these limitations reasonable.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Oct. 10

Pamela G. Campbell, 43, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, careless and imprudent driving, open container in a motor vehicle, 200 block of N. Buchanan

Oct. 17

Zachary R. Ross, 18, Maryville, minor in possession, 600 block of N. Buchanan

Oct. 18

Ashley L. Rich, 19, Maryville, minor in possession, 700 block of N. Walnut

Oct. 22

Jeffery L. Moses, 51, Maryville, leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident, failure to report a motor vehicle accident, 1200 block of S. Main

Oct. 23

Thomas A. Parkin, 25, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, failure to yield, 900 block of N. Main

Tyler S. Young, 18, Kansas City, Mo., littering, 100 block of W. Third

Linda C. Clark, 59, Maryville, sale of alcohol to a minor, 600 block of S. Main

Oct. 24

Jake D. Jenkins, 21, Maryville, obstructing a public safety officer, 300 block of N. Market

Jacob L. Closterman, 19, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, minor in possession, illegal turn, failure to maintain financial responsibility, 100 block of E. Fourth

Larceny, ongoing investigation, 1500 block of E. First

David B. Judd, 43, Maryville, code violation, 400 block of W. Thompson

Colby A. Lock, 25, Fillmore, Mo., driving while suspended, failure to appear, 600 block of S. Market

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 300 block of N. Main

Chelsea A. Morris, 18, Maryville, minor in possession, under 19 in a bar, 300 block of N. Market

Jake D. Jenkins, 21, Maryville, obstructing a public safety officer, 300 block of N. Market

John D. Horgan, 19, Omaha, Neb., minor in possession, possession of altered/fictitious license, 700 block of S. Main

Oct. 25

Hit and run, ongoing investigation, 500 block of W. Cooper

Burglary, ongoing investigation, 1500 block of N. Main

Oct. 26

Ryan M. Buchanan, 19, Liberty, Mo., minor in possession, North-west Drive

Rafael L. Robinson, 22, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, failure to maintain right half of roadway, failure to maintain financial responsibility, improper registration

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 300 block of N. Main

Rebecca A. Hoselton, 24, Maryville, larceny, 200 block of W. Fourth

Zackery T. Shaul, 18, Maryville, minor in possession, University Drive

Oct. 27

Melissa M. Leggett, Kansas City, Mo., city code violation, 100 block of N. Munn

Falynn D. Hanshaw-Griffin, 24, Maryville, wanted on warrant

— failure to appear, 400 block of N. Market

Oct. 28

Stephanie S. Campbell, 35, Union Star, Mo., driving without a valid drivers license, failure to maintain financial responsibility, speeding, 1400 block of E. South

Krystal M. Myers, Maryville, disorderly conduct, 200 block of S. Main

Tyler S. Young, 18, James E. Laughlin Jr., 19, Maryville, Ellis D. Maxwell Jr., 18, Hopkins, Mo., assault, 1200 block of S. Main

Larceny from a motor vehicle, ongoing investigation, 300 block of W. Thompson

Fraud, ongoing investigation, 300 block of N. Main

Animal neglect, ongoing investigation, 500 block of W. Seventh

Larceny from a motor vehicle, ongoing investigation, 400 block of E. Jenkins

Larceny, ongoing investigation, 100 block of E. Cooper

Fire report, ongoing investigation, 2900 block of S. Main

Connie D. Myers Jr., 32, Maryville, wanted on warrant — failure to appear, 400 block of W. Second

Bert A. Darnell, 19, Maryville, wanted on warrant — failure to appear, 200 block of W. Fifth

Robert J. Fogle, 19, Maryville, wanted on warrant — failure to appear, 1200 block of W. 16th

Gregory A. Zimmerman, 36, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, failure to maintain right half of roadway, 1600 block of N. Grand

Oct. 29

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 600 block of W. Cooper

Steven L. Cox, 50, Maryville, driving while suspended, 900 block of S. Market

Oct. 30

Jennifer A. Roberts, 23, Maryville, permitting a peace disturbance, 700 block of W. Jenkins

Fire report, smoke investigation, 500 block of W. Third

Tyler S. Young, 18, Maryville, Ellis D. Maxwell Jr., 18, Hopkins, Mo., assault with a dangerous weapon, 200 block of N. Main

Oct. 31

Burglary, ongoing investigation, 1200 block of W. 16th

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 1100 block of E. Edwards

Samantha J. Jackson, 19, Maryville, minor in possession, 300 block of S. Buchanan

Elisha M. Watson-Gittings, 22, Maryville, larceny, 1200 block of S. Main

Nov. 1

Frankie D. Chesnut, 29, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, failure to display lighted headlamps, 200 block of S. Vine

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 800 block of N. Buchanan

Larceny, ongoing investigation, 1500 block of E. First

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 400 block of W. Sixth

Recovered property, sofa, 300 block of N. Duval

Dennis W. Todd, 71, Maryville, larceny, 1200 block of S. Main

Kara L. Pearson, 19, Jannay D. Campin, 20, Stephanie J. Kemp, 19, Maryville, minor in possession, 300 block of S. Buchanan

Fire report, vegetation fire, 315th and Hawk

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 100 block of E. Jenkins

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 500 block of W. First

Rita E. Price, 42, Maryville, larceny, 1200 block of S. Main

Nov. 2

Erica N. Talbott, 20, Maryville, minor in possession, 1100 block of N. Walnut

Jacqueline C. Mu, 19, William B. Massey, 19, Nicholas M. Englebrecht, 19, Bettendorf, Iowa, Nicholas D. Nelson, 19, Davenport, Iowa, minor in possession, 500 block of S. Market

Kelsey M. Fusselman, 19, Maryville, minor in possession, 1300 block of N. Walnut

Paul T. Williams, 19, Omaha, Neb., disorderly conduct, minor in possession, 100 block of E. Third

Ganesh G. Chavan, 25, Ankit Khullr, 21, Yash Capook, 23, Bhany Sethi, 23, Prince Chapri, 22, Maryville, permitting a peace disturbance, 400 block of W. Fifth

Fire report, rubbish fire, 26000 block of 238th

Larceny, ongoing investigation, 600 block of N. Vine

Cobra D. Harmon, 27, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, failure to obey posted stop sign, 200 block of North Avenue

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 200 block of James Avenue

Nov. 3

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 1300 block of E. First

Christopher K. Proffitt, 35, Maryville, improper registration, failure to maintain financial responsibility, equipment violation, 100 block of S. Newton

Christina M. Shipley, 37, Clarinda, Iowa, disorderly conduct, 1100 block of E. Halsey

Recovered property, bicycle, 400 block of W. South

Dog at large, ongoing investigation, 1200 block of E. Fourth

Nov. 4

Recovered property, bicycle, 600 block of S. Main

Property damage, ongoing investigation, 400 block of N. Hester

Nov. 5

Fraud, ongoing investigation, 700 block of Prather

Maynard J. Baker, 40, Maryville, dog at large, 300 block of N. Buchanan

Nov. 6

Roland D. Tompkins, 48, Steven A. Lett, 50, Maryville, assault, 800 block of S. Main

David L. Schluter, 23, Maryville, assault, 300 block of E. Torrance

Francis J. Grout Jr., 37, Maryville, animal neglect/abandonment, 400 block of S. Main

Nov. 7

Jarrod L. Brumley, 31, Barnard, Mo., affray, 100 block of E. Third

Nov. 8

Audrey M. Goebel, 19, Kansas City, Mo., minor in possession, disorderly conduct, 200 block of W. Seventh

Recovered property, bicycle, 400 block of S. Buchanan

Nov. 9

Jessica A. Welchert, 17, Maryville, minor in possession, resisting arrest, 200 block of W. Second

Paige N. Knight, 18, Maryville, minor in possession, 200 block of W. Second

ACCIDENTS

Oct. 22

Elizabeth J. Nunn, Maryville, collided with a vehicle owned by Anthony Volz, Maryville, at the corner of North Mulberry and West Seventh.

Oct. 23

Jared D. Lainhart, 22, Maryville, collided with Casey M. Carper, 21, Maryville, at the intersection of College Avenue and North Grand.

Mildred V. Pope, 21, Maryville, cited with careless and imprudent driving and failure to maintain financial responsibility, collided with Jason P. Hudson, 20, Maryville, at the intersection of U.S. Business Highway 71 and West Lincoln.

Oct. 24

An unknown driver collided with a vehicle owned by Vern R. Sticken, Maryville, at the intersection of West Cooper and South Buchanan.

Michael D. McNeely, 21, Hopkins, Mo., cited with careless and imprudent driving, collided with Wilma G. Hengeler, 49, Stanberry, Mo., at the intersection of U.S. Business Highway 71 and West Lieber.

Ashlie N. Graham, 20, Maryville, collided with a vehicle owned by James K. Kibol, Maryville, on the 200 block of Park.

Oct. 25

Jeremy D. Palmer, 26, Maryville, collided with Katie R. Palmer, 20, Olathe, Kan., at the intersection of East South Hills Drive and U.S. Business Highway 71.

Oct. 26

Ronald L. DePriest II, 26, Maryville, collided with Anasha K. Leivan, 17, Maryville, at the intersection of South Mulberry and West Jenkins.

Oct. 27

Rodney A. Coutts, 60, Maryville, collided with Matthew T. Howe, 17, Maryville, at the intersection of U.S. Business Highway 71 and East Lieber.

Oct. 29

Michael L. Remus, 21, Maryville, collided with Kerri M. Meredith, 20, Bedford, Iowa, on the 1600 block of S. Main.

Oct. 31

Juvano L. Duley, 21, Maryville, collided with Michael F. McDonald, 18, Maryville, cited with failure to yield the right of way, at the intersection of West First and North Munn.

Nov. 3

Ronald E. Landherr, 68, Maryville, collided with Amy M. Swank, 31, Pickering, Mo., on the 1600 block of S. Main.

Nov. 4

Nicholas S. Brown, 24, Burlington Junction, Mo., collided with Cathy L. Keller, 53, St. Joseph, Mo., at the intersection of U.S. Business Highway 71 and East First.

Javen W. Spire, 23, Maryville, cited with failure to yield the right of way, collided with Phillip M. Poynter, 55, Maryville, at the intersection of East Edwards and South Vine.

Nov. 8

An unknown driver collided with a vehicle owned by Jan Christensen, Harrisonville, Mo., on North College Drive.

BARTIK: Honor given to alumna

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"The most exciting day of my life was when it was done," she said.

Bartik was the only one of her siblings to go into computing, she said. Her sisters went into teaching. Her three brothers went into the military. Her youngest sister enjoyed teaching people to read who were in the military.

Bartik became part of a group charged with converting the ENIAC into a stored-program computer in 1947. This made the computer easier to use by reducing problem set-up time from weeks to hours, Bartik said.

The Computing Hall of Fame gala where Bartik was inducted took place in October. There were three people altogether being inducted. The other two people were Bob Metcalfe, who commercialized and created the Ethernet, and Linus Torvalds, who created the Linux operating system.

It was a fantastic experience, Bartik said.

After the ceremony, women discussed programming with Bartik.

"They tried to tell me that it is not called intense programming," Bartik said. "They acted as if it was something new, but we've been doing it for over 60 years."

The night after the induction ceremony, Bartik was invited to participate in a lecture, during which the president of the Public Broadcasting Station interviewed her.

"The lecture was publicized in magazines. Some people brought their daughters," Bartik said. "The hosts of the conversation were so excited because they'd never seen so many women and young people."

Bartik was invited to tour the Google operations building. She visited the University on several occasions. She was the speaker at the 2002 Spring Commencement. That same year, Bartik attended the grand opening of The Jean Jennings' Bartik Computing Museum, located in the B.D. Owens Library. Bartik was also the Grand Marshal for the 2007 Homecoming parade.

Bartik now resides in Oakland, N.J. Her apartment overlooks Philadelphia. She has three children, a boy and two girls. Bartik is also currently in the process of having a book published.

"In any case, that's the next big thing that will happen to me," she said.

PROP A: Maryville schools may benefit

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R-V, Jefferson C-123, North Nodaway R-V and South Nodaway R-V, will not receive additional funds according to the simulation.

Prior to Proposition A, casinos paid 18 percent of their Adjusted Gross Revenue to the state, 2 percent to their respective host cities, and \$1 per admission to both the state and host city.


PART OF HISTORY

Thirteen members of the campus and community prepare to begin helping Northwest choose its next leader.


The Board of Regents recently announced the names of members of Northwest's presidential search committee. Representing groups from both the campus and community, the committee will assist the regents in determining who will succeed President Dean Hubbard when he retires, after 25 years, on July 31, 2009. The committee will work with an outside search firm, selected by the regents, to "convey views, attributes and the character image they feel best fits the search," said Bill Loch, committee chair and Board of Regents president. Eventually, the committee will help screen potential presidential candidates.



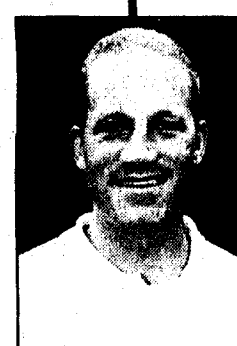
NAME: Dr. Renee Rohs
WHO SHE REPRESENTS: Faculty
WHO SHE IS: Assistant professor, Department of Geology and Geography
WHERE SHE LIVES: Maryville
"I decided I would do this for the sake of knowing. I'm going to be at Northwest and want to see it grow. In order to do that we need to have a leader who is a visionary - someone who can work with other leaders to achieve the goals of the University as a whole."



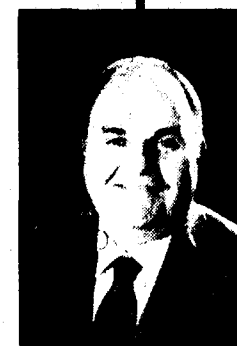
NAME: Dr. Carla Edwards
WHO SHE REPRESENTS: Faculty
WHO SHE IS: Associate professor / chair, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Counseling
WHERE SHE LIVES: Maryville
"(I'm looking for) someone who is concerned about students, faculty and the community as well as the University."




NAME: Dr. Mike Wilson
WHO HE REPRESENTS: Faculty
WHO HE IS: Associate professor, Department of Accounting, Economic and Finance
WHERE HE LIVES: Maryville
"A president always has to be a visionary and have a concept of where they want to take the University."




NAME: Neil Neumeyer
WHO HE REPRESENTS: Alumni Association
WHO HE IS: Northwest Alumni Association Board of Directors member
WHERE HE LIVES: Kansas City, Mo.
"I look forward to finding the best president for Northwest, not necessarily a duplication of President Hubbard or someone Northwest has already seen, but someone who will guide Northwest into the future."




NAME: James W. "Bill" Loch
WHO HE REPRESENTS: Committee chair
WHO HE IS: President of the Northwest Board of Regents, vice president of the Maryville-based Loch Sand and Construction Co.
WHERE HE LIVES: Maryville




NAME: Mike Thompson
WHO HE REPRESENTS: Community
WHO HE IS: Maryville City Council member, former Maryville mayor
WHERE HE LIVES: Maryville
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NAME: Doug Sutton
WHO HE REPRESENTS: Board of Regents
WHO HE IS: Member, Northwest Board of Regents and retired director / plant manager of the Kawasaki Motors Mfg. Corp. plant located in Maryville
WHERE HE LIVES: Maryville
"We'll hopefully find somebody that has the same vision and insight that President Hubbard has had while maintaining the Culture of Quality mentality."




NAME: Lydia Hurst
WHO SHE REPRESENTS: Board of Regents
WHO HE IS: Member, Northwest Board of Regents, manager of The Flower Mill florist and family partner in The Hurst Farms, both based in Tarkio, Mo.
WHERE SHE LIVES: Tarkio
"I will look for a positive, energetic person with good managerial skills ... someone who will bring to the table new and innovative ideas for Northwest."




NAME: Charles "Chuck" Place
WHO HE REPRESENTS: Northwest Foundation
WHO HE IS: Northwest Foundation board past president
WHERE HE LIVES: Albany, Mo.
"Since we represent specific parts of Northwest stakeholders ... we'll get direction from the regents and find a candidate that matches their vision. When the University does well, the Foundation does well."




NAME: Becky Mullins
WHO SHE REPRESENTS: Cabinet
WHO SHE IS: University architect and sustainability coordinator
WHERE SHE LIVES: Maryville
"(I'm looking for) someone who's interested in carrying on Northwest traditions and continuing the Culture of Quality; someone who thinks of the University as a family and seeks continuous improvement."



NAME: Abby Freeman
WHO SHE REPRESENTS: Students
WHO SHE IS: President, Northwest Student Senate and senior operational communications major
WHERE SHE'S FROM: Ida Grove, Iowa
"President Hubbard has done a great job. Students really like his approachability. We (students) want a president who's going to be there for the students."



NAME: Danny Smith
WHO HE REPRESENTS: Support Staff
WHO HE IS: Assistant Sports Field Supervisor and Support Staff Council president
WHERE HE LIVES: Parnell, Mo.
"I like Dr. Hubbard's open door policy. You just don't find that everywhere. It's nice knowing that you can talk to the president."



NAME: Del Morley
WHO HE REPRESENTS: Professional Staff
WHO HE IS: Director, Office of Scholarships and Financial Assistance
WHERE HE LIVES: Maryville
"(I'm looking for) someone who's forward thinking, progressive and who has a vision for the future. (Hubbard) has always had a vision and has been a step ahead of everyone else. That's something we need to continue."



TAYLOR ALLAN HELPS Emily DeMarea get suited up for a self-defense simulation last week as other students look on. This was the final test on how well the students could defend themselves in a situation where an assailant would attempt to mug them. The students in the class learned basic defense and basic strikes to utilize in the simulation.

DEFENSIVE STRATEGY

Women's self-defense class teaches valuable lessons on how to prevent abduction and attacks

By Brian Johnson
Entertainment Reporter

There is a fear for some of being attacked or mugged. However, for the women of Campus Safety Officer Kristina Martinez's defensive class, they will no longer have that fear.

Martinez taught a class last week on self-defense open to all Northwest women. She believes there is one goal in mind with this class.

"Its purpose is to prevent abduction," Martinez said. "Because if you can't be abducted, you're most likely not going to be murdered or raped."

Martinez has experience in martial arts. She has studied different forms of combat including Hapkido, and Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu. She has also trained with innovators of Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, The Gracies.

"I got into martial arts when I was in my 20s and I went to classes with my daughter," Martinez said with a smile as she reminisced. "We actually got our black belts together."

The 12-hour course took place over four days and ultimately led to a defense simulation for the women. Martinez said the women were first taught about different choices in safer living. The class then progressed into basic defense and basic strikes if needed and finally the simulation.

The night of the simulation, the participants were suited up in their safety pads and put into a situation where they had to defend themselves. The simulation took place in a dark room where they faced another officer who is trained in hand-to-hand combat.

Emily DeMarea, a freshman, was goaded into the class by her mother. She was hesitant at first, but after the simulation, said she had a lot of fun. She feels confident in her abilities to defend herself after taking this class.

"I felt like I was pretty fearless coming into this," DeMarea said. "But now I'm really fearless. I'm like 'don't mess with me.'"

Martinez explained women take the class for different reasons. Many who take the class who have been

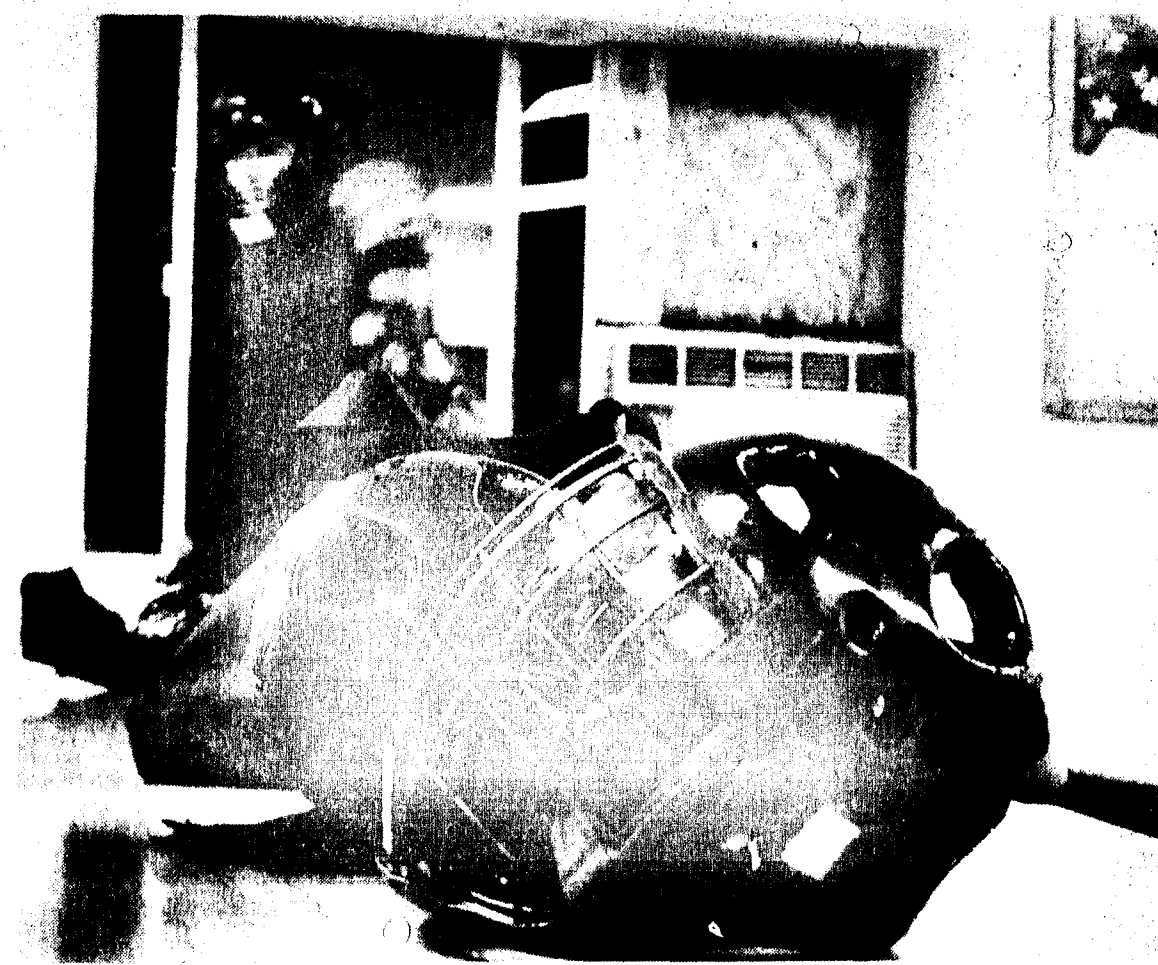
attacked don't finish the class. "They usually come in with a vendetta," Martinez said. "They want to go back and fight that person, but that's not what we teach. We teach you to avoid a fight...we don't teach you to engage."

The fears of living in a college town are a lot to deal with for some women. That's what drove freshman Taylor Allan to take the class. She's never been attacked but is always aware of the possibility.

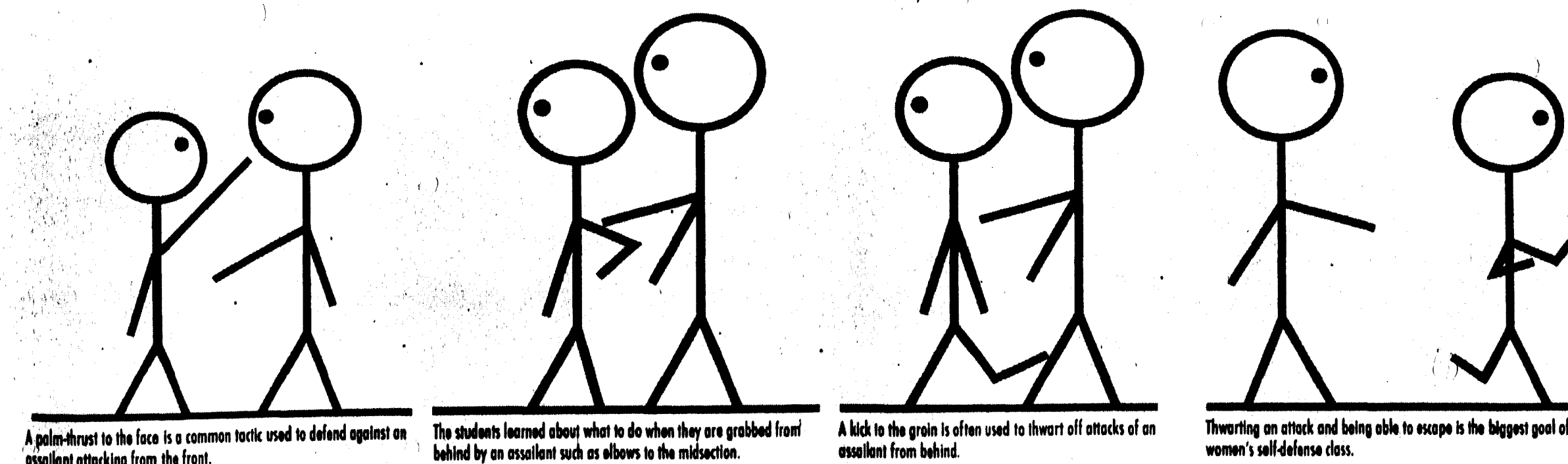
"People tend to have a little too much fun and tend to have a different mindset," Allan said. "I never know what's going to happen and I like to be more aware of my surroundings."

The classes appear to have done a lot of good for the women who have taken it from their reactions. Martinez said participants didn't want to stop learning and wanted to keep going.

"Everybody always says in the evaluations, 'we wish we would've had more time,'" Martinez said. "You can see how geared up they were in the end. They could've kicked ass all day long."



EMILY DEMAREA GETS herself pumped up for the simulation on Thursday. She had to face an officer trained in hand-to-hand combat and be able to successfully defend herself.



A palm-thrust to the face is a common tactic used to defend against an assailant attacking from the front.

The students learned about what to do when they are grabbed from behind by an assailant such as elbows to the midsection.

A kick to the groin is often used to thwart off attacks of an assailant from behind.

Thwarting an attack and being able to escape is the biggest goal of the women's self-defense class.

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Top 3 picks

By Hudson Kemna
Missourian Reporter

Coming to theaters: "Quantum of Solace"

"Quantum of Solace" is the follow-up to the 2006 Bond film, "Casino Royale," which sacked more than \$14 million on opening day. In this rendition, which opens tomorrow, Bond, played by Daniel Craig ("Casino Royale") seeks revenge for the death of his girlfriend as he attempts to protect an entire country's water supply from being poisoned. He is joined by Camille Montes, played by Olga Kurylenko ("Max Payne") as they both do all they can to capture the villain, Dominic Greene, played by Mathieu Amalric ("Munich") who cleverly disguises himself as an environmentalist.



New Album in Stores: "Fearless"

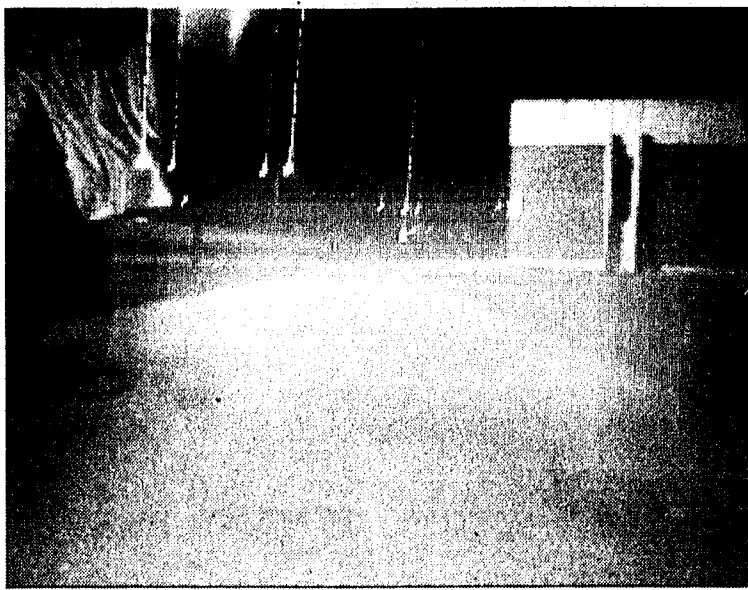
Taylor Swift is back with her second full-length album, "Fearless," which was released Tuesday. Her 2006 self-titled album sold over three million copies. The 18-year-old star breaks the trend by writing her own material and playing the guitar. This album is an attempt to step outside the limitations of the country genre by swapping the teenage girl sound for a little more rock and a little more roll.

New to DVD: "Kung Fu Panda"

This animated family film, released on DVD Nov. 8, includes voice talent by Jack Black ("School of Rock"), Dustin Hoffman ("Meet the Fockers"), and Jackie Chan ("Rush Hour"). Po is a lazy panda who aspires to be a kung fu master. His wish is granted as he begins to train alongside his kung fu idols in an attempt to thwart off the dangerous snow leopard Tai Lung. Po tries his hardest to overcome his fears with his newfound strengths.

STROLLER

Your Man says no to jail



The Stroller

Is our University unsafe? Should we be watching our backs? I don't think so.

Then why is there talk floating around campus about putting all of the residence halls on 24-hour lock down?

The reason is because there are people who feel most crimes occur in the middle of the day. To make our University a safer place, we should have our buildings constantly locked making it so people who aren't supposed to be in the building stay out.

I have a couple questions regarding this theory.

Is there that much of a threat on campus that we need to take such drastic measures? I feel like we live in a fairly safe community and an even safer campus. I don't necessarily know if I want to live in a community with buildings locked all hours of the day.

I have visited friends who live on campuses who enforce the 24-hour lock down. Not only could I not walk into the building to see my friend, my friend had to come to the front door to let me in. On top of that I had to leave a piece of identification at the front desk, and when it was too late for me to be there, the RA came to the room to make sure I left. It felt more like I was visiting a friend in prison rather than in a dorm room. Is this the kind of environment we are looking for at Northwest?

The other question I have is will it even work? I know Forest Village Apartments are locked all

day. When I talked to people that live there they said they always let people in they don't know. Think about it; we've all done it. We are walking up to the building, after 10 p.m. The doors are locked and someone is standing there because they forgot his or her key. Do we sit there and drill this person with questions to make sure he or she is in this building? No, we just let them in. Did you just let in a mass murderer? Maybe, but it's probably just someone you have never seen before.

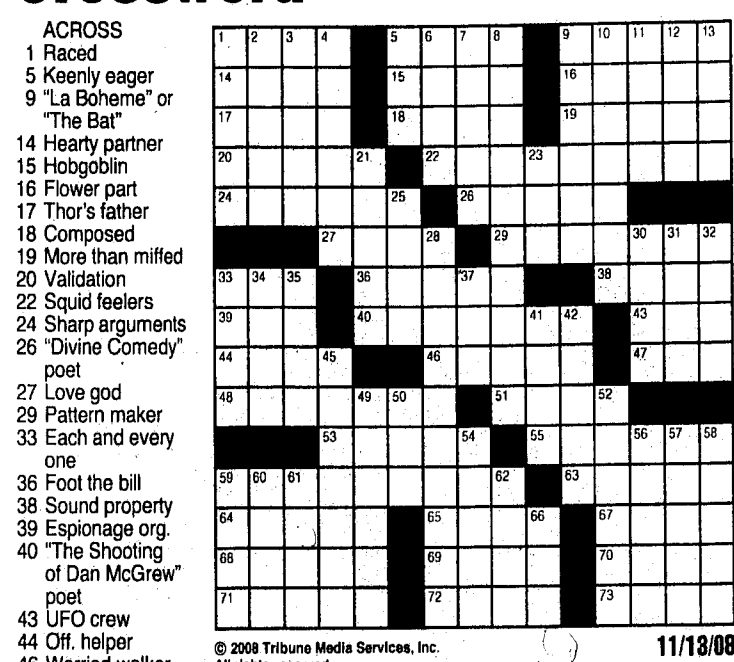
Also, the only thing I possibly could see coming from this action is a lot of inconvenience. Think of how many people come in and out of a residence hall every day that don't live there; the mailman, pizza delivery person, custodial staff,

repairmen, parents visiting their kids, etc. They can have someone come down to let them into the building. What if they forget, or are meeting someone there? Then what? Those people just have to stand outside, waiting for someone to walk by and let them in, which defeats the whole purpose of the lock down.

I know the University only has our best interest at heart, but when you have to lock everybody up it doesn't give off the impression of safety. It makes people think the community is so bad we need to lock the doors all day long, and that isn't the case at Northwest.

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Crossword



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5 Keenly eager
9 "La Bohème" or "The Bar"
14 Hearty partner
15 Hobgoblin
16 Flower part
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40 "The Shooting of Dan McGrew" poet
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THE EXTRA POINT

NFL going too far with fines



Marcus Meade
Sports Editor

You've got to watch what you're saying these days. Seriously, one false step into the vocal world of criticism, and it's going to cost you.

If you're a professional football player — which makes up a large segment of this column's audience — it'll cost you thousands.

Lately, it's become the practice of the NFL to hit the players where it hurts when they feel the need to speak out in any way, shape or form. Criticize an official, \$50,000. Bad mouth another player, \$20,000. Question a coaching decision, \$10,000.

But I'm a little confused on why players get these fines. Is it the practice of the NFL to fine peo-

ple for speaking their minds? For telling the truth? For exercising their First Amendment rights as Americans? It seems so.

Saints coach Sean Peyton, Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and Patriots wide receiver Randy Moss have all been fined this season for comments made about league officials.

All of them were blowing off steam and blasting officials for what they thought were bad calls. So, the league fined them.

How is that right? Forget the fact that football players don't actually need the money; it can't be right to take money from someone for criticizing what is essentially a coworker. It may not be right for

them to be so harsh with officials, but they're big boys; they can take it. I'm sure they get much worse on the field.

And who gets to decide who gets fined for what and how much? Each of the fines Moss, Peyton and Jones received was different though each was for the same offense. What can and can't be said? I want to know what the fine for criticizing NFL commissioner Roger Goodell's mother would be — like \$100,000?

To this point, I've been extremely pleased with what Goodell has done to clean up the NFL. His crack down on player conduct was necessary and extremely helpful to the NFL, but this is one step too far and one step toward fascism. Contractually or punitively forcing players to keep their mouths shut makes the NFL look like what

some people have feared it would become, a dictatorship.

Yes, there are times when players and coaches should shut their mouths and realize they're biting the hands that fill their Hummers with gas. But you can't censor them. You can't begin a process of making the NFL a colorless, corporate Gestapo. The passion of its players and coaches — however horrific at times — makes the NFL special.

If the NFL doesn't want players to criticize the league or league officials, they should emphasize it at the NFL Rookie Symposium or through the NFL Players Union. That won't stop everything, but if they're looking to stop all criticism, not even their fines will do that.

It's obvious fines don't have much effect. I mean, Randy Moss is paying in "straight cash, home."

SPORTS STAFF GAME PICKS

Marc's picks Prediction record (2-2)

NCAA Lock

Georgia at Auburn — GA
The Bulldogs have not only the coolest mascot — that dog is adorable — but also a ton of offensive weapons. Matt Stafford makes that offense go. Auburn doesn't have anyone to match that. If Auburn can't keep pace, which they can't, they're screwed.

NCAA Upset

Nebraska at K-State — K-State
I told Bulldog last week that Nebraska would lose to Kansas; I was wrong. I know. It happens so rarely. I like Bo Pelini, but Nebraska just doesn't have the horses. There's no way the Cornhuskers do it again — yeah I said it.

NFL Lock

San Diego at Pitt. — Pitt.
It's my theme this week to pick against teams that play close games with the Chiefs. The Chargers are inconsistent and poorly coached. Pittsburgh is the real deal with Big Ben and a dominant defense. I think the Chargers will learn real quick the Steelers aren't the Chiefs; they won't give that lead back.

NFL Upset

Minnesota at Tampa Bay — Minn.
Adrian Peterson is the best running back in the league. Why? Because he went to Oklahoma of course. If Tampa Bay hadn't played the Chiefs close, I might be less tempted to take this game, but the Bucs showed me they can play pretty terrible. Jared Allen should be all over Jeff Garcia all day. All the Vikings have to do is give the ball to A.P. and get out of this way.

Brian "The Bulldog's" picks Prediction record (2-2)

NCAA Lock

Nebraska at K State — Big Red
Nebraska is on a mission to finish the regular season 3-0 and gain momentum going into '09. An 8-4 season doesn't sound too bad at all. We aren't there when we want to be but hey, we made a bowl game. I'll take it. I think Nebraska's defense will be playing with a little more momentum this week. Bo Pelini finally handed out the BLACK SHIRTS to the defensive starters. I think the blackshirts are going to give this defense the extra fire they need to finish this season out strong. On a side note, I'm sad to see Ron Prince be fired. I always thought he was going to be a good coach. I just read Marc's comment and he doesn't know crap. Nebraska will win and by a good margin and if they lose I'll quit the newspaper and Marc will be lost without me on staff. Trust me, I run this joint.

NCAA Upset

Northwestern at Mich. — NW
Okay, I know the "Big House" is so terrifying. Must be why the "Wolves are 2-4 at home this year. Northwestern is 7-3 compared to Michigan's 3-7 record. Why is Michigan the favorite?

NFL Lock

Baltimore at New York — Giants
The Giants beat my Eagles at home so they can basically beat anybody.

NFL Upset

N.Y. at New England — Jets
I'm going all New York this week. The Jets beat St. Louis 47-3 last week. I know it's St. Louis but anyone who can put up 47 in the NFL,

Woody's picks Prediction record (1-3)

NCAA Lock

Cal at Oregon State — OSU
Oregon State has not lost at home this season, and the Bears haven't won on the road. The Rodgers brothers are diminutive but extremely talented. Plus a Beaver win will set up a better Civil War matchup. I give the edge to the furry little rodents from up north.

NCAA Upset

Boston College at Florida State — Eagles
I will secretly be rooting for Florida State as a way to avenge my Irish's loss to B.C. last week. Bobby Bowden is a good ol' southern gentleman who belongs in a rocking chair sipping bourbon and not on a football field coaching anymore. RETIRE ALREADY!

NFL Lock

Denver at Atlanta — Falcons
I'm still not sold on the Falcons, but I do know that Denver is not as good as they looked early in the year. The defense is horrible, and they don't have a running back because they are all hurt. Matt Ryan is my offensive rookie of the year so far, and I think he will keep the ball rolling in the dome against Shanley's boys.

NFL Upset

Baltimore at Colts — Ravens
This is just the most likely opportunity to see one of the Manning brothers lose this week. I would prefer it be Peyton Manning, because he really annoys me. Eli is the lesser of the two evils, but one Manning losing each week-end is good enough for me. You're wrong Bulldog.

Dustin's picks Prediction record (4-0)

NCAA Lock

Texas A&M at Baylor — Baylor
I'm picking Baylor for my lock. What? I honestly never thought that would happen but I guess things change. A&M is really bad and Baylor is, well better than A&M.

NCAA Upset

N.D. at Navy — Navy
Notre Dame got shut out last week. Shut out! That's not very good. How hard is to kick at least a field goal. Notre Dame does not deserve to win another game this season. They have no excuse to ever not make a BCS game because they don't have to follow the rules like everyone else.

NFL Lock

Tenn. at Jags — Tenn
The Titans are undefeated and the Jaguars have lost five games which is more than they have played. So here is my shot at math, Titans are undefeated and the Jags are not, so that = Titans win.

NFL Upset

Saints at Chiefs — KC
I can't believe this is the first time I have picked the Chiefs this year and I am very ashamed. The Chiefs keep improving and Tyler Thigpen is looking great with six TD's and no picks, pretty good huh? I know that Drew Brees and Reggie Bush are pretty good and all but they are coming into Arrowhead and I'm hoping the Chiefs fans are getting excited about the beacon of hope on the horizon. So I'm picking Thigpen and Chiefs to upset the Saints.

WHAT TO WATCH

Marc's TV picks

Friday

•Entourage, HBO, 9 p.m. — Vince starts on Smokejumpers and has a little problem when his costar keeps stealing his lines — and pie.

Saturday

•1999 Division II national championship game, video, noon — I'm going to borrow a copy and watch Northwest in the greatest football game ever played.

Days rating (5 of 5)

Sunday

•Chicago at Green Bay, FOX, noon — A great old time match up, and as our frequent readers know, I love Brian Urlacher.

Days rating (2 of 5)

Brian's TV picks

Friday

•City Slickers, TV Land, 9 p.m. — This is my dad's all-time favorite movie. Billy Crystal in a Mets hat for a whole movie, not so bad.

Days rating (3 of 5)

Saturday

•Nebraska at Kansas State, Pay Per View, 2:35 p.m. — The Blackshirts will have fun taking down the QB who defied against NU.

Days rating (5 of 5)

Sunday

•The Notebook, ABC Family, 6 p.m. or 9 p.m. — It's a double dose of the Notebook. The movie isn't that bad. The girl is hot and your girlfriend will love you for watching with it her. Trust me you'll live.

Days rating (4 of 5)

Woody's TV picks

Friday

•Wizard of Oz, TBS, 7 p.m. — Dustin stole this and my reason while Bulldog was doing his picks. Watching this while listening to "Dark Side of the Moon" really does only enhance the experience.

Days rating (5 of 5)

Saturday

•Navy at Notre Dame, CBS, 11 a.m. — Notre Dame lost to Navy for the first time since Roger Staubach quarterbacked the Midshipmen. If Notre Dame loses this time, it's so-long Charlie.

Days rating (5 of 5)

Sunday

•Da Bears at Green Bay, FOX, noon — DA BEARS DA BEARS ...

Days rating (3 of 5)

Dustin's TV picks

Friday

•The Wizard of Oz, TNT, 7:00 p.m. — This is a great movie and Roger Waters and Pink Floyd only made it better.

Days ratings (3 of 5)

Saturday

•Texas at Kansas, Live (unadvised), 11:30 a.m. — Northwest has the day off so I can't see them play and I still need my live football fix and Lawrence is only two hours away, so I might try and go.

Days rating (4 of 5)

Sunday

•New Orleans at Kansas City, Fox, noon — Of course I'm watching the Chiefs game.

Days rating (4 of 5)

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PROFILE

LOHAFER: Coach looks back

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and teaching art was a no-brainer. He did everything artistic for his high school, from painting backgrounds for school plays to doing calligraphy and cartoons for the yearbook.

During the summer of 1970, Lohafer left Avoca, Iowa and moved to Maryville to attend Northwest. He came to swim for the Bearcats and decided to major in art. While at Northwest, he met a teacher who helped shape his future.

"I had never had pottery in high school," he said, "but when I got here, I met Russ Schmaljohn, and he really had a big influence on me. I found it amazing that you could turn a ball of clay into something useful."

Once he graduated from Northwest, he got a job teaching art at Maryville High School, following in his uncle's footsteps. His uncle is an art teacher in Des Moines at Grand View University. The first thing Lohafer did was make sure the school had a studio he could use to teach pottery in.

The next thing he did was ensure he could coach something. He started coaching football right after he arrived during the 1975-76 school year and chose to coach defense simply because they get to hit. He has hung his hat on having a tough defense that hits hard and comes from everywhere.

In addition to coaching football, he also coached the baseball team. His reasons for coaching lay in his athletic past.

"I think coaches coach because they have a desire to complete something that they didn't complete when they played," Lohafer said.

In 1981, the 'Hounds captured the baseball state championship. The following year they went on to win state in football in front of 8,000 fans at Arrowhead Stadium. Lohafer was part of both championships and ranks them at the top of his list of memorable coaching moments.

He eventually gave up coaching baseball and handed the reins over to one of his assistants following two shoulder surgeries.

"I used to throw batting practice," Lohafer said, "but after my surgeries, I couldn't throw a ball very well. I felt like I was hurting the team more than I was helping it."

Coaching is not the only way Lohafer has had a positive impact on kids. He teaches kids he coaches and tries to use a lot of positive rein-

forcement to get the kids to like art and help his players succeed on the field. Junior strong safety Myles Burnssides got to experience Lohafer's positive attitude from 2001 to 2005 when he played linebacker for the 'Hounds.

"He was always real positive," Burnssides said. "I can never remember him yelling too much unless he had to. He was a really laid back coach and never really got in your face."

There is art all over the walls of his classroom. He has amassed quite a collection during the past 33 years and has around 500 pieces of pottery in his home and even eats off of ceramic plates and cups. Junior linebacker Evan Wilmes took four years of art from Lohafer in high school and said he taught a lot like he coached.

"As you got older in those courses," Wilmes said, "it was more freelance. You kind of got to do what you wanted and he helped you if you needed it, but really let you do what you needed to do."

Lohafer has also kept all of his game plans along with his 100-pound art portfolio. He has every game plan he has ever made, dating back to 1979, and the offense of each of the seven head coaches he has coached under. Wilmes played under him at Maryville High School from 2001 to 2005 and got to experience how prepared he was for games first hand.

"He was really interested in what he was doing," Wilmes said. "We were always talking about football. He was really persistent with what he did. He made sure we knew what we were doing each week. He always knew what other offenses would try and run, and we were able to make any adjustments at the line that we needed to."

Lohafer has focused on coaching football since giving up his position as the baseball coach. He has tried to teach all of his players the fundamentals that will make them successful in the future and most importantly, a love for the game. Now in his 33rd year teaching and coaching, he thinks it's about time for him to retire.

"I think it's time," he said. "I came back for these guys because I knew it would be a good season. I used to wake up and say I was going to school, it's getting to the point where I wake up and say I'm going to work and at that point it's not fun anymore. Kids these days need everything now, they have no patience,

especially not in art. I think it's time to get out of at least teaching."

His presence will still be felt in football long after he has retired. He has coached between 12 and 15 players who have moved on to play at the college level, including Burnssides and Wilmes. Wilmes said he felt the game plan they used in high school was a simplified version of what they do now for the Bearcats.

After he does retire, he has plenty to do with his art to keep him busy and his mark has already been left all over Maryville.

In the past, he has done portraits of people in Maryville and his logos are all over town. Every Spoofhound ever drawn has been the work of Lohafer.

"All the memorabilia and gear the sports shops and Wal-Mart sell," he said, "they've all been my logos, and I've never seen a dime for any of it."

This spring he will draw a mural on two local businesses. He has plans to do a mural of the Bearcats and the Spoofhounds mascots throughout time simultaneously on the wall of Jock's Nitch. The Maryville Florist shop has also asked him to create a mural on their wall depicting the old house that used to sit at the corner of First and Main streets called "The Landmark."

Lohafer also has plans of moving a little closer to his three daughters and four grandchildren who live in Kansas City.

"Tentatively, my plans are to move me and my wife down there," Lohafer said. "I would like to get a coaching job somewhere in Kansas City and maybe mow greens at a golf course somewhere."

Lohafer also said it will be a difficult transition to pack up and move.

"When you invest as much

time as I have in Maryville, it's going to be hard to leave," he said. "It's going to be very hard. There's grown men that stand up on the back row of the stadium that I've coached. Now I'm coaching their kids. I've had a lot of parents come up to me and say thanks for staying, so that my kid could be coached by you. I've enjoyed that kind of family atmosphere here in Maryville."



Brian Lohafer

SPOOFHOUNDS

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SOCCER

Record setting season ends

By Jesse Murphy
Missourian Reporter

For the first time, Northwest women's soccer finished the season with double-digits in the win column.

Over the last decade, the ladies have struggled in arguably the best conference in Division II soccer with the top four teams in the conference also happen to be the top four in the region, coach Tracy Hoza said.

But things are on the upside for the Bearcats. Hoza has nine returning starters next year.

Northwest finished this season with back-to-back shut-out wins against conference teams. The 'Cats first beat sixth-ranked Central Missouri State. Then they defeated Southwest Baptist.

Kira Lazenby, junior goalkeeper, scored the winning goal against Baptist. It was a free kick from midfield. Lazenby was given MIAA defensive player of the week for the two shut-outs.

"It was a great way to go out," Hoza said. "We had our backs against the wall, but we played hard. Our defense was great. They deserved a shut-out."

Hoza is in her sixth season as head coach for the 'Cats, who have consistently improved. Their record this year was 10-8-2. Hoza is looking toward next spring.

"We want to get moving again," Hoza said. "Our goal is to be a contender in the region. Every game is physical, we have to believe we can win."

Captain Holly Ramaeker is a senior, and just finished her last season as a member of the team. She has seen tough conference play throughout her career as a Bearcat.

"It can be a little discouraging sometimes," Ramaeker said. "But it's more rewarding when we win. It's nice knowing we beat some teams that are nationally ranked."

Northwest soccer will start up again next spring, either in late February or early March for the 2009 season. But Ramaeker is satisfied to walk away with the team's accomplishment.

"This was overdue," Ramaeker said. "We had a few losses and ties we probably shouldn't have. And we won some games you would think we should've lost."

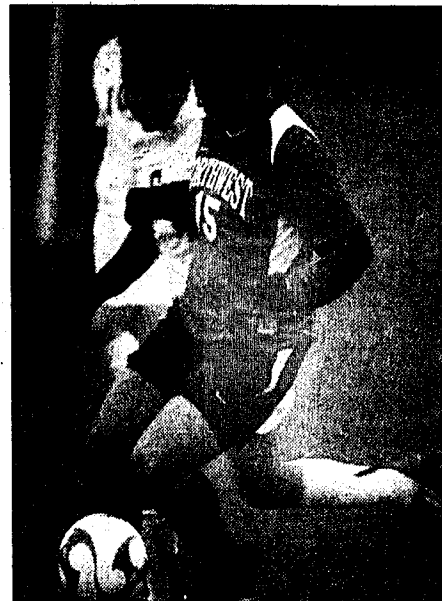


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NORTHWEST FRESHMAN KIRA LAZENBY KICKS FOR A BALL DURING Saturday's 2-0 season ending victory over Southern Baptist. The win was the Bearcats 10th of the season.

VOLLEYBALL

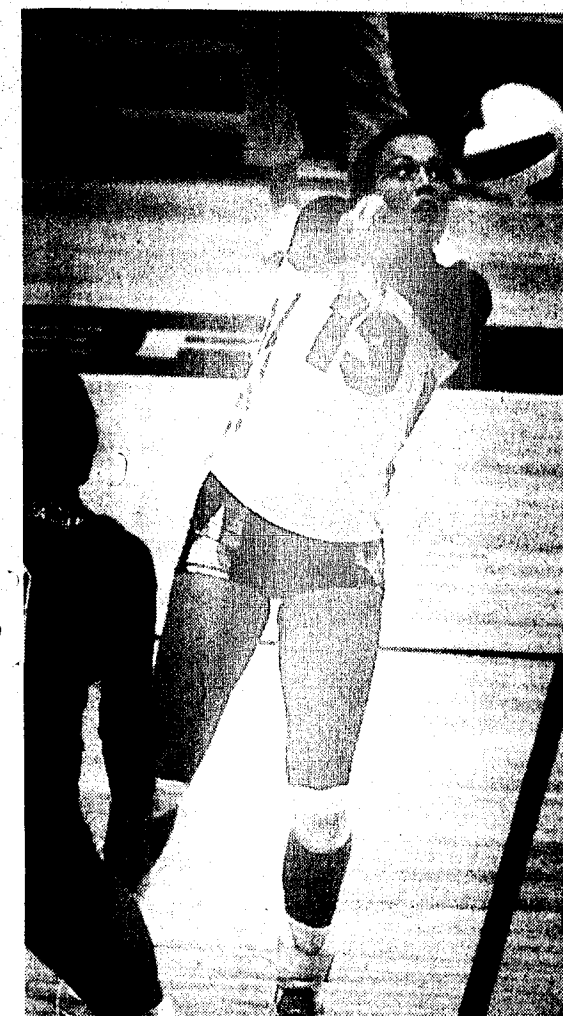


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SOPHOMORE LIBERO PAIGE SPANGENBERG PREPARES TO SET THE BALL IN A RECENT MATCH AGAINST ROCKHURST. SPANGENBERG BROKE THE SEASON DIG RECORD WITH 621 AGAINST THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI.

Team looking to ranked opponent

By Brian Bosiljvac
University Sports Editor

In head coach Anna Tool's three seasons at Northwest, the Bearcats have upset a nationally ranked opponent every year except this year. They have one more chance.

That last chance will come in Kirksville, Mo. when the 'Cats travel to take on No. 9 Truman Northwest's final match of the year.

"I think it's definitely possible," sophomore Amber Ryan said. "We played them last time and they are a good team, but they are definitely beatable. When we are playing good, I think we can play with anyone. If we just come out knowing it's your last game and every point counts, I think we can upset them."

The 'Cats had another chance for a win as they took on Missouri Western Wednesday in their final home match of the season. Results were unavailable at press time.

Western only has four wins this season and one win in the MIAA against Fort Hays. Northwest brings in a 9-22 overall record and is 6-12 in conference play.

"We are all like 'we better dominate tomorrow' (Wednesday)," Ryan

said. "We let them get a game from us last time we played them and we're like 'don't let that happen again.'"

The last time the 'Cats took the court, the chances of upsetting No. 14 Central Missouri State looked hopeful.

Northwest won the first set but couldn't hold off the Jennies any more than that as the 'Cats dropped the next three sets.

It appeared two different Northwest teams showed up to play against Central, Tool said.

The first and third sets showed a Northwest team that battled and fought every point, not allowing Central to pull away. The 'Cats won the first set 25-20 and the Jennies won the third set with the same score.

The second and fourth sets featured a 'Cats team that struggled getting started. They gave up three and four points at a time and were unable to crawl out of the deficit. The matches ended 25-14 and 25-17 in Central Missouri's favor.

"I think the difference in our play comes in the consistency in taking care of the ball," Tool said. "Offensively, we need to know when to go after the kill and when to go

after a shot to get the other team out of system and give yourself another opportunity. If we did that, we would have a lot more unforced errors in the stretches where we tend to give up more runs."

The bright spot in the Central Missouri loss was when co-captain, sophomore, libero Paige Spangenberg broke the single season record for most digs.

"I'm just trying to dig every ball I can," Spangenberg said. "I enjoy doing it and I like to keep the ball off the floor and give us another opportunity."

Spangenberg tallied 26 digs against the Jennies, which put her at 621 for the season. She passed up Jill Quast's record of 618, set in 1997. Spangenberg still has two matches remaining to add to her record.

Spangenberg is only a sophomore, and Tool said she is only looking forward to Spangenberg "to take her game to a whole other level."

With season's end just around the corner, Spangenberg and Ryan agree this year's season has brought many ups and downs. They are proud of the way the team has battled throughout the year and excited for future seasons.

SCORE BY QUARTER

(4-7) 14 0 3 7 — 24

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TEAM STATISTICS

Northwest	Missouri Southern
592	Total yards 307
88	Total plays 65
258	Rushing yards 92
48	Rushing attempts 24
32	Fumbles-lost 2-1
334	Passing yards 215
40	Passing attempts 47
1-10	Sacks-yards 2-13
29-40-0	Comp.-Att.-Int. 21-41-1
5-156	Punts-yards 7-265
6-7	Off-yards per play 4-7
31	First Downs 15
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1-13	Int-yards 0-0
3 of 14	Third downs 2 of 13
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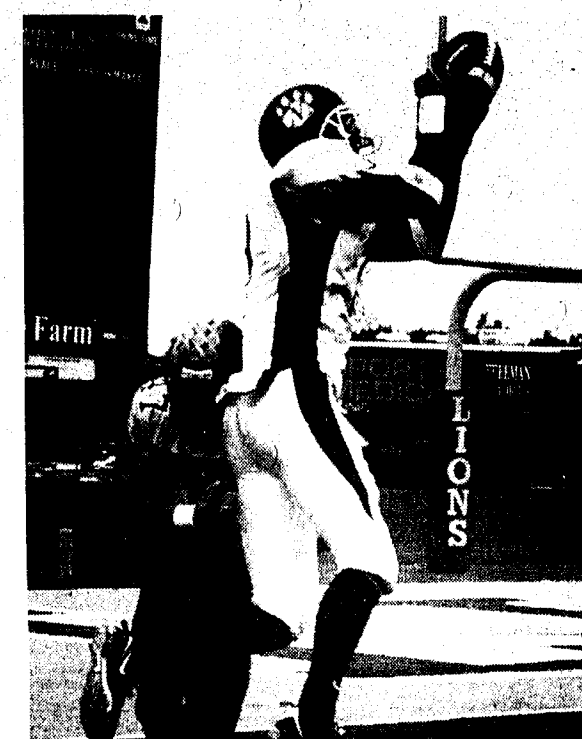


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JUNIOR WIDE RECEIVER NICK RHODES LEAPS OVER MISSOURI SOUTHERN DEFENDERS FOR THE BALL IN THE BEARCATS' WIN OVER THE LIONS.

NORTHWEST

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Myles Burnssides



Burnssides was named MIAA Most Valuable Defensive Player this week. To make his final push, he intercepted a pass against Missouri Southern and nearly intercepted another. Burnssides now has four interceptions on the year, second in the MIAA.

Zach Layton



Layton was the top finisher for the men's cross country team at regionals last weekend. He finished 12th with a time of 32 minutes flat. Layton's run gives him the ninth fastest 10-k run in school history and a personal best as only a freshman.

Kira Lazenby



Lazenby was named MIAA Player of the Week for a somewhat unusual occurrence. She scored a goal as a goalie on a free kick from midfield. She also found success preventing scoring when she helped the 'Cats shutout nationally ranked Central Missouri.

Paige Spangenberg



Spangenberg set the Northwest single season digs records in a match against Central Missouri. Her 26 digs, a team high, gave her 621 on the season allowing to over take the 1997 record of 618 held by Jill Quast. Spangenberg can add to her total this week against Missouri Western.

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FOOTBALL

Running back makes history, secures victory

By Christopher Woodland
Community Sports Editor

In Maryville's sectional playoff game on Monday, streaks ended and records fell as Maryville ran away with a 49-21 victory over Trenton.

The Spoofohounds' streak of five scoreless first halves ended, and Maryville trailed for the first time since losing by a point to Chillicothe back on Oct. 3 when Trenton scored on the opening drive of the game.

Then the 'Hounds ran off a streak of 49 unanswered points behind the record-breaking performance of senior running back Adam Mattson.

Mattson ran for a single-game school record 259 yards, and broke his own school single-season rushing

record of 1,257 yards from a year ago. He has 1,477 rushing yards this season.

"It's awesome," Mattson said. "It's because of our o-line. They just came out blocking. I mean there were holes everywhere ... I was just trying to run hard."

Mattson's only flaw came on the opening kickoff. Mattson botched a kick that was designed to act somewhat like a line-drive inside kick. At the very worst, the play was supposed to give the ball to Trenton at its 35 yard line. Instead Trenton took over at Maryville's 35, and proceeded to score on the first drive of the game.

Mattson would make up for that mistake though.

Three plays after Trenton quarter-

back Ryan Wade's 15-yard touchdown run, Mattson darted up the middle of the Bulldogs' defense for a 62-yard touchdown to tie the game at 7-7.

Maudlin joined the playmaking in the second quarter by producing runs of 32 and 41 yards.

Mattson only carried the ball twice in the second half but totaled 97 yards. His final carry was a 48-yarder that set up another Maudlin touchdown with 8:51 remaining in the third quarter and the 'Hounds leading 49-7.

"When we went in at halftime we got a number total so we knew what we had to have," Maryville head coach Chris Holt said. "We just decided we were just going to give it to him ... He deserves it. He has every rushing record that we have. The only one he

didn't have was most in a game."

With running backs habitually breaking runs of 20, 30 and 40 yards, the 'Hounds racked up 452 yards on the ground against the Bulldog defense.

"We definitely controlled the line-of-scrimmage," Holt said. "We talked about that right before pre-game; offensive and defensive lines needed to control the line-of-scrimmage and we'd be fine, and that's what we did."

Maryville's defensive ends Zach Sherry and Walter snuffed out the Trenton option attack, and finished the game with 7.5 and six tackles respectively. Each also had a sack.

Maryville plays Carrollton at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Maryville.



SENIOR RUNNING BACK Adam Mattson stiff arms a Trenton defender and races down field on his way to a touchdown. Mattson rushed for 259 yards and three touchdowns breaking the single game rushing record.

MHS CROSS COUNTRY

Boys set records, finish 13th in first trip to state

By Dustin Sander
Assistant Sports Editor

The Maryville cross country teams overcame small numbers in route to a successful season and several first times for the school.

This season, the Spoofohounds had only three girls and nine boys to make up their team and the numbers are up this season from a total of eight runners last year.

The boys' team ran its way into a record breaking season. No boys' team from Maryville has ever made it to the state meet before and no team has ever been this large before. This is the largest team senior runner Alex Thomson has ever seen.

Coach Phil Stone has led the 'Hounds for the last four years and seen the roller coaster of students interested in running cross country.

"It's really been up and down through the years that I have coached and last year was our lowest," Stone said. "We got the boys side up a little bit this year though."

Thomson and Stone both believe the growth last will equal success in the team's future.

Also, junior runner Josh Elliott broke the school record in a race three times. At the beginning of the season, the school's record was 17 minutes and 33 seconds, when he ended the season his time was 17 minutes and 11 seconds.

The 'Hounds began their season in Maryville with a second place finish behind Smithville.

"Smithville has always had a real strong program," Stone said. "So I knew if we were at least close we would have a pretty good year."

Stone was right, with a second place finish to open the season, the 'Hounds never looked back and gave Maryville High School the best season in school history. The 'Hounds tore through the rest of their season with nearly every race ending with the team finishing in the top three.

Maryville finished third in the MEC behind 3A schools Chillicothe and Smithville. Maryville also, finished second in its district behind St. Pius, who finished second in the state. The 'Hounds had three runners in Elliott, Thomson and Seth Staashelm earn All-District honors.

With the 'Hounds finishing second in their district, it gave them their chance to do something never done before in Maryville; take a trip to state.

"Boys cross country has never gone to state in the 28 years it has been around," Stone said. "So it's a pretty good accomplishment for us."

The 'Hounds sent the entire varsity team of seven boys to Jefferson City for the state meet. The boys finished 13th out of 16 once they got to state. The 'Hounds however, did have an All-State runner in Elliott who finished 13th in the race. Thomson went to state the year before and finished 40 places higher than he did in 2007.

"It feels like more of a success because it's the first time we've done it," Thomson said. "It was really cool to go down to state."

NW FOOTBALL



AWARD SEASON SWEEP

'Cats clean up during MIAA awards season

By Marcus Meade
Sports Editor

With the dust settled in the MIAA regular season and the Bearcats looking forward to a weekend off, it was time to spread the love in the form of conference awards.

And Northwest got a lot of love.

The 'Cats swept the four major awards handed out by the MIAA. Quarterback Joel Osborn was named Most Valuable Offensive Player, safety Myles Burnside was named Most Valuable Defensive Player, defensive lineman Josh Lorenson was named Freshman of the Year and coach Mel Tjeerdma earned his 10th Coach of the Year title.

"We always stress at Northwest 'take care of the team stuff and the individual stuff will come late,'" Osborn said. "Not that it doesn't matter, but if you don't take care of your team stuff, that other stuff doesn't matter."

For Osborn, the honor comes amidst

tough competition from inside and outside his own team. Quarterback Mark Smith from Pittsburg took the award last season as a junior and returned this year to defend it, while Osborn's teammate LaRon Council is having record-breaking year at Northwest.

But Osborn's numbers and leadership appeared enough to make him the second 'Cat quarterback to win the award, the other being Chris Greisen. Osborn's thrown for 2,528 yards with 19 touchdowns and six interceptions.

"For those three guys, it's the culmination of a lot of hard work and a real commitment to our program," Tjeerdma said. "It's also a testament not just to those three guys but also to our football team."

For Burnside, winning the conference's highest defensive honor is unexpected.

"It was a complete surprise," Burnside said. "I thought Zach Watkins, a linebacker from Washburn, a friend of mine, was a

shoe-in. He's got like over 100 tackles."

Watkins has some gaudy numbers, but Burnside's play has certainly set him apart this season. His four interceptions are second only to Watkins' five. He captains the most efficient passing defense in the conference and helps them allow only 17.2 points per game.

Lorenson has also been a part of that defense effort this season. He joins Jamaica Rector as the only other 'Cat to win the Freshman of the Year award. He tallied 32 tackles this season, 7.5 for loss and four sacks.

With all the awards given, the 'Cats now have a week to soak them in and prepare to face the winner of the first round match up between Pittsburg and Nebraska-Omaha.

"The good thing is they're both option teams and they're both three-man fronts," Tjeerdma said. "So, there are a lot of similarities and it doesn't make any different if we practice two days against Pitt and UNO

wins or vice versa."

By now, Tjeerdma has a set plan on how to handle a bye week. The team will maintain its routine to some degree. They had Monday off, prepared against Pittsburg Tuesday, Nebraska-Omaha yesterday and they'll pick a winner and prepare against them today. Friday and Saturday are off-days for the 'Cats which allows some of them to heal.

All-MIAA left tackle Reid Kirby is recovering from a knee injury while safety Ike Urum-Eke has a week to get over a hip pointer.

Nebraska-Omaha travels to Pittsburg Saturday; the 'Cats should know their opponent that night. Until then, it's wait, watch and prepare.

"Keep the routine, and just maintain focus this week," Burnside said. "Yeah, we don't play on Saturday, but it will be here before you know it. We just have to remain focused and get ready for whoever."

PROFILE



SPOOFOHOUNDS' DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR Brian Lohafier has spent over 30 years working with kids on the field and off it.

Coach takes light-hearted approach to tough sport

By Jason Lawrence
Missourian Reporter

An imposing figure on the Spoofohounds' sideline, defensive coordinator Brian Lohafier is easily a head taller than everyone else. He is also a step ahead, making his way up and down the sideline, stopping to talk to not only his defensive players, but any player who looks like he could use a word of advice or encouragement.

His enthusiasm for the game doesn't change from kickoff until the final whistle blows. He goes all out all game to try and inspire his players.

Sometimes, that even requires him to provide his players with some comic relief.

There was a game a couple of years ago at Excelsior Springs, Mo. Lohafier recalls, during pouring rain. He dressed up in a bright yellow rain suit during halftime and ran out onto the field and dove into all the water, sliding from the 20 yard line all the way to the 50, he said.

"I have a weird personality," Lohafier said. "I think the kids like it. I do some crazy things once in a while. I think you need to live life as full as you can. And have a lot of fun doing it. If you can't laugh

every day, you're probably pretty miserable. I try and find something funny or at least make somebody laugh every day. You have to do something so the kids take their minds off of the stuff that's bothering them."

He has that same attitude and approach to life since he was growing up in southwest Iowa. His uncle, who is six years older than him, taught him the fundamentals of football and taught him a love for art.

"My uncle was a big influence on me," Lohafier said. "He was really like a big brother to me. He was really

artistic, and I really tried to emulate him. Art really started out as a hobby, but as I did it more, it became something I did all the time."

Art and athletics were two things he was good at, he said, and he geared everything he did toward the two activities.

In high school, he played football, basketball and swim. He was named second team all-state as a tight end. His junior year in high school, they were ranked in both football and basketball, but fell in the sectionals in both sports.

He knew he wanted to teach around age 10.

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Nov. 22	Arkansas Tech	St. Joseph, Mo.	5:30 p.m.
Nov. 25	Central Bible	Bearcat Arena	7 p.m.
Dec. 3	at Emporia State*	Emporia, Kan.	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 6	at Washburn*	Topeka, Kan.	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 13	at Nebraska-Omaha*	Omaha, Neb.	6 p.m.
Dec. 17	William Woods	Bearcat Arena	7 p.m.
Dec. 20	at Midwestern State	San Antonio, Texas	12:45 p.m.
Dec. 21	at Eastern New Mexico	San Antonio, Texas	10:30 a.m.
Dec. 29	Fort Hays State*	Bearcat Arena	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 31	at Pittsburg State*	Pittsburg, Kan.	3 p.m.
Jan. 7	Missouri Western*	Bearcat Arena	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 10	at Truman*	Kirkville, Mo.	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 14	Central Missouri*	Bearcat Arena	7:30 p.m.

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WEARHOUSE EXCHANGE

MIAA champs get new look

By Dustin Sander
Assistant Sports Editor

The Northwest men's basketball team may look a little different this winter when they take the court at Bearcat Arena.

The Bearcats return only four men from last year's roster. Forward Hunter Henry is the only senior taking the court for the 'Cats this season.

Northwest recruited several junior college transfers this season to fill the empty spots on the roster.

"I feel good, but it's a big difference because I come from a (Junior College)," junior transfer Edriss Floyd said. "It's a lot more fast paced. You have to come, and you've got to learn a lot and really pay attention and take in everything the coach tells you. I feel good playing on this team in my position, everything is going good."

Coach Steve Tappmeyer expects the transfers to step up and help the team succeed this season.

"We'd like to see them get the grasp of things well enough to get in there early and be playing," Tappmeyer said. "They're all guys we recruited with the idea they could step in and play this first year."

Northwest will need all the help it can get from its inexperienced players. Ten new players join the team just one year after winning the MIAA Championship and making an appearance in the NCAA tournament.

This time last season, the 'Cats only had one new player on the court.

"I think it's not very fair for us to compare with where we were last year at this time," Tappmeyer said. "Last year, we only had one new

player on the team and everyone else had been through it, so sometimes I think we get caught being guilty of comparing where we've been the last four or five years, and we're behind quite a bit. But it doesn't mean you stay there. Your ability to improve throughout the year is only that much greater."

Tappmeyer said the biggest challenge the new 'Cats will have to overcome is the system he likes to run.

"Learning the system with as many new people as we have (will be tough)," Tappmeyer said. "We've got guys that have good work ethic and approach it the right way, but it's just a lot of different things you've got to learn. It seems like often times in our system guys who are here for their second year is when they really feel the most comfortable with it, and we've just got to jump that learning curve this year, because we've got 11 new players."

Junior Mike Larsen sees the difficulty in learning the system but said there is something more important



photo by Seth Cook, Chief Photographer

JUNIOR GUARD DAJUAN Harris goes up for a jumper in the first half of an exhibition game against Livin' The Dream Nov. 3.

the 'Cats will have to overcome.

"They're learning the system pretty quickly," Larsen said. "A lot of it is just building a team. It takes a lot of time to become a cohesive team that's not something that comes overnight. Hopefully in a little bit more time we'll be more like a team."

The young and new 'Cats will be put to the test once their season starts next week.

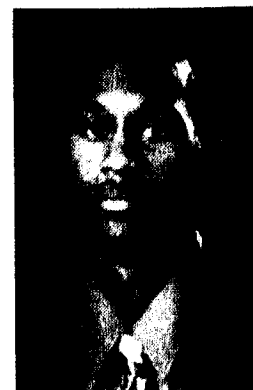
The new 'Cats in town



#24 Shawn Carter, Forward, 6-4 205 lbs.
Junior from Detroit ... transfer from Kalamazoo Community College ... averaged 15.7 points per game and 7.3 rebounds per game.



#32 Edriss Floyd Guard 6-1 175 lbs
Junior Independence, Mo. from Penn Valley Community College ... averaged 18 points per game ... Class 5A All-State in High School.



#33 Dajuan Harris, Guard 6-3 185 lbs
Junior from Cincinnati ... transferred from Cincinnati State Community College ... 2007-2008 OCCAC All-Conference second team.



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JUNIOR MIKE LARSEN is among those expected to lead the Bearcats this season as coach Steve Tappmeyer's squad features only one senior. Larsen and the 'Cats got competition under way in an exhibition game against Livin' The Dream, a charity all-star team. Northwest won the contest 70-65.

Young team has tough road

By Dustin Sander
Assistant Sports Editor

After a successful season last year, Northwest men's basketball looks to find a way to end up in the post season again.

Last season, the Bearcats went 24-8, won the MIAA tournament and played two games in the NCAA Tournament.

"We hope to do a lot of what we've done the last couple years," senior Hunter Henry said, "win a conference championship and get back to the NCAA Tournament."

However the path back to greatness for Henry and the 'Cats looks more difficult this season.

"We've got a lot new guys so you always got your goals starting out with," coach Steve Tappmeyer said. "But you've got to be realistic. Also, one of our biggest things is we want to be a team that continues to improve throughout the season and be playing our best ball, peaking at the right times and playing our best ball in mid conference to the end of

the season."

The 'Cats are very young with only four returners this season which creates a lot diversity for the young team to overcome.

"It's a confidence game," Tappmeyer said. "They're still at times running the offense to be at the rights spots and not running it to score. Defensively, they're just trying to get to the right spots on the floor and their anticipation is hurting because of that because they are over thinking things. But it's not being critical it's just part of the process you have to go through."

Lance Sullivan was an All-Conference players for the 'Cats last season, but won't return to take the court for the 'Cats this year.

"He was an all-conference player and that always leaves a big hole," Tappmeyer said. "It's one of those things you don't look back at."

After winning the MIAA Championship last season, the 'Cats are picked to finish fifth in the MIAA this season.

Tappmeyer said the only reason

the 'Cats are picked that high is because of their past success. Also, being ranked fifth is not a reason for the team to have a chip on its shoulder and that its ranking may even be too high after losing so many players.

Henry said anything that could be used for motivation should be used.

Junior Mike Larsen is taking the lower ranking as a good thing and is happy with where the team is right now.

"I like being in the middle," Larsen said. "There aren't a lot of people looking at us. We don't have a target on our backs and we know what we have to do, we see where we're at and we're at fifth and we know we have to get better."

The 'Cats already have one game as a team under their belts. They beat Livin' The Dream 70-65 at Bearcat Arena in an exhibition game. Northwest takes the court again and begins the regular season against Peru State at 7 p.m. Nov. 18 at Bearcat Arena.

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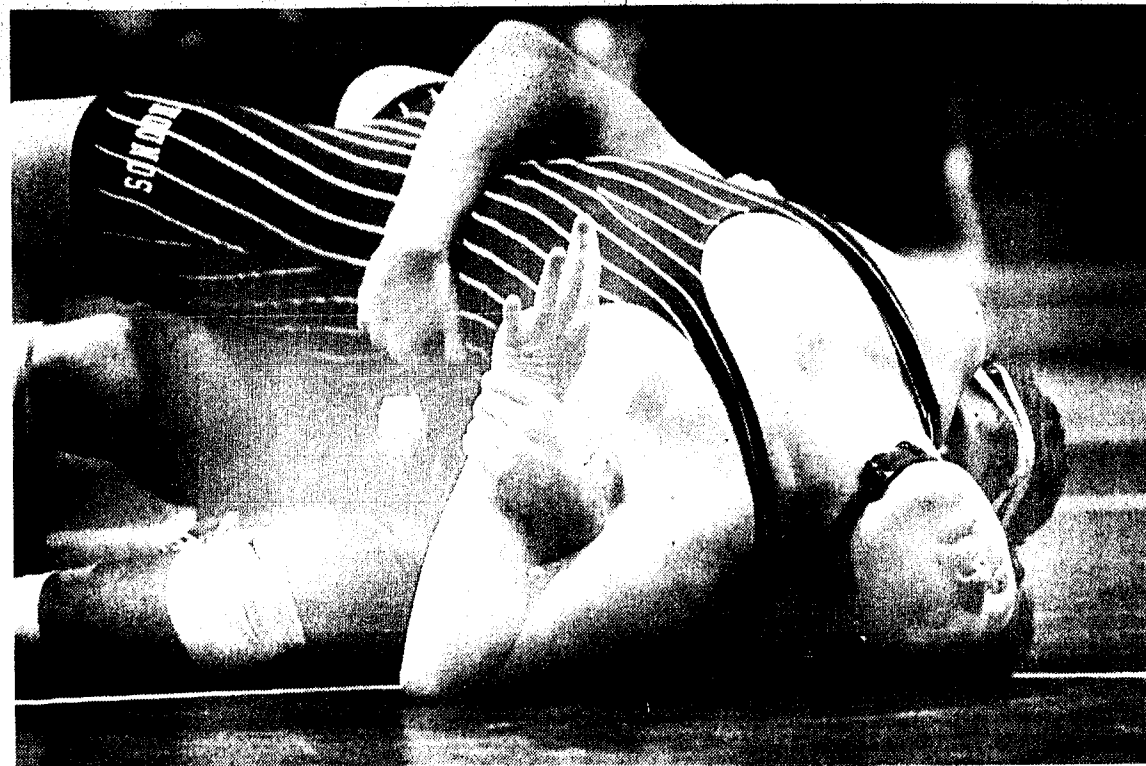
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TYLER HAYSE AND the Maryville Spoofhounds found success last year despite trouble filling all weight classes. This year, the Maryville football team is keeping some of the wrestlers on the football field instead of wrestling mats while they attempt a run at a state championship.

Full practice on hold

Maryville wrestling awaits the end of football

By Jesse Murphy
Missourian Reporter

As winter approaches, it is once again time for a new season of Spoofhound wrestling.

Last year, the team had an 11-3 record in its duals. Eight wrestlers qualified for state, and four of them have returned for another shot.

Junior Dannon Merrill placed third last season at state, the other three, Ryan Phillippe, Derek DeMott and Jason Davis, are all juniors this year. A total of nine starters are back, three of them seniors.

The first match of the season is a tournament in Lexington, Mo., beginning Dec. 13. Coach Joe Drake looks forward to the opportunity to see some non-conference teams in action.

"The tournament is a good sampling," Drake said. "It gives us a chance to see some teams we won't be able to see until state.

We can get an idea of what we are up against."

With the 'Hounds football season still in swing, Drake is taking the time to work on fundamentals. Most of the team is still occupied, but Drake is using the individual time to the team's advantage.

"We are on hold in a way," Drake said. "For the time, we are working hard with the younger guys. I think it will pay dividends in the next few years."

Phillippe is among those able to attend practice. He thinks it will make the 'Hounds better as a team.

"We are getting back into routine," Phillippe said. "We are going over basics, re-learning old techniques. We always want to do better."

Along with the success last year, the biggest problem for the team was being able to fill all of the weight classes, Drake said. The National Wrestling Federa-

tion issued rulings about weight loss and gain for the wrestlers that all high schools must follow.

At the beginning of the year, all athletes must go through a series of tests. First they are tested for hydration levels, to determine whether they have dehydrated themselves to lose weight. Second, actual weight and measurements are taken to find a body fat percentage.

These are used to calculate a minimum weight class for the athlete. Throughout the season, wrestlers can only lose 1.5 percent of their total weight a week, going no lower than the established minimum.

The concern for Drake is after football season people are usually over their ideal weight, making it hard to fill all of the classes.

"But we are a very competitive team," Drake said. "We have some tough duals this year, hopefully no one runs away from us."

'08-'09 Schedule

Dec. 12	at Lexington Tourney	3 p.m.	Jan. 24	MBC Tourney	TBA
Dec. 20	at Trenton Tourney	10 a.m.	Jan. 27	Benton	7 p.m.
Jan. 6	at Plattsburg/Hamilton	6 p.m.	Jan. 29	Smithville	7 p.m.
Jan. 8	Lafayette	7 p.m.	Jan. 31	Quad State	10 a.m.
Jan. 10	Mid Buch. Tourney	TBA	Feb. 3	Savannah	7 p.m.
Jan. 13	at Chillicothe	7 p.m.	Feb. 5	St. Pius X	7 p.m.
Jan. 15	at Falls City/Sabetha	5:30 p.m.	Feb. 7	Albany Tourney	9:30 a.m.
Jan. 20	at Cameron	7 p.m.			

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'Hounds counting on tough senior class

By Christopher Woodland
Community Sports Editor

Graduation always creates holes in rosters, but very seldom does it wipe out an entire starting lineup.

The Maryville boys basketball team must replace every starter from a team that won 11 of its last 15 games last year before losing to LeBlond in districts. The good news for the Spoofhounds this year though is that five seniors could possibly fill the lineup for the second consecutive season.

Seniors Joe Jasinski, John Farmer, Seth Staashelm, Shane Martin and Adam Mattson enter this season expected to fill the void left by departed seniors Klay Talmadge, Andy Walter, John Seipel, Aaron Dueker and Ryan Sudhoff, head coach Mike Kuwitzky said.

"We've been practicing all summer, and we've got a pretty deep team," Jasinski said. "We've all played a lot and we have a lot of experience, so I think we should

be alright."

Farmer hopes to use his speed to contribute strong defense this season, he said.

"John Farmer's really fast, very quick," Kuwitzky said. "He's really incredibly fast."

The 'Hounds might run into some early season trouble. Aside from finding replacements for an entire starting lineup, four of the potential starters might not be available when the season tips off.

Jasinski, Farmer, Mattson and Martin are currently chasing a state football championship. If the football team reaches the state championship game, they will have two days between that game and the first basketball game.

"We have a very good football team, and they have a chance to go all the way," Kuwitzky said. "So, we're looking at maybe two practices before our first game. So, the juniors are going to have to step up a lot."

The Spoofhounds' strong work ethic during the off-season

has given Kuwitzky reason for optimism.

"I felt the summer camps went really well," Kuwitzky said. "They worked real hard this summer and I thought they came a long ways this summer with camp and open gyms."

The late run last season might have sparked increased interest in the program, with newcomers including 10 freshmen, and Mattson who didn't play last season. The program has roughly 30 players this season, Kuwitzky said.

Last season's late season success may also impact the returning players as the team hopes to continue that hot streak into the 2008-2009 season.

"I thought we learned how to win last year," Kuwitzky said. "These younger guys saw that we were able to step up in close game late and win. Hopefully that carries over to this bunch."

The Maryville boys' basketball team begins its season Dec. 1 at the Savannah Tournament.

Defense could hold key to district title

By Marcus Meade
Sports Editor

Last season, the Maryville girls' basketball team used an up tempo style of basketball to outscore their opponents.

This year, coach Grant Hageman hopes an improved defense coupled with his fast-paced offense can help his team to another successful season.

"Defensively, I felt we really struggled especially in the second half," Hageman said of last year's squad. "Our man-to-man defense just wasn't really good. So, I think if our man-to-man defense can improve that can take us a little farther this year."

The Spoofhounds posted a 17-7 record last season with contribution from many young players. Those players, like junior Emily Kisker, now move into roles of leadership.

Kisker is a captain for this season along with seniors Genesse Stoll and Megan Walker.

"My personal goal is to be a team leader and to have a good attitude even if I'm not playing so well," Kisker said. "It's not my game, just pick everyone else up and hope they can fill the role I'm not."

Maryville did graduate two key seniors from last year's team. Leah Wilms and Jordan Gadbois both contributed to a turn around season last year in which the 'Hounds posted 12 more wins than the previous season.

"We're going to miss them, but we also have four returning starters coming back from a 17-7 team," Hageman said. "So, we feel like we've gotten better this summer, and we'll be a better team."

This season will give players like Kisker and Shannon McClellan, who saw a lot of time as underclassmen last year, another year to grow as a team.

"It will help us a lot with our experience," McClellan said of getting the chance to play early. "Everybody knows most of our plays. All of us played a lot and got a lot of experience and that should help a lot."

Success might come a little harder this year as the 'Hounds play a little tougher non-conference competition, Hageman said. He hopes to use his team's speed to wear out some of the teams that feature taller players.

Last season, Maryville's run came to an abrupt end in a 60-56 loss to Lawson in the district semifinal, but the hardships of last season could pay dividends this year.

"We had a lot of young girls get a lot of time last year because we played almost a nine or 10 man rotation last year," Hageman said. "We have a bunch of sophomores. We have Molly Stiens, Mataya Wooten and Taylor Gadbois who should really come on for us."

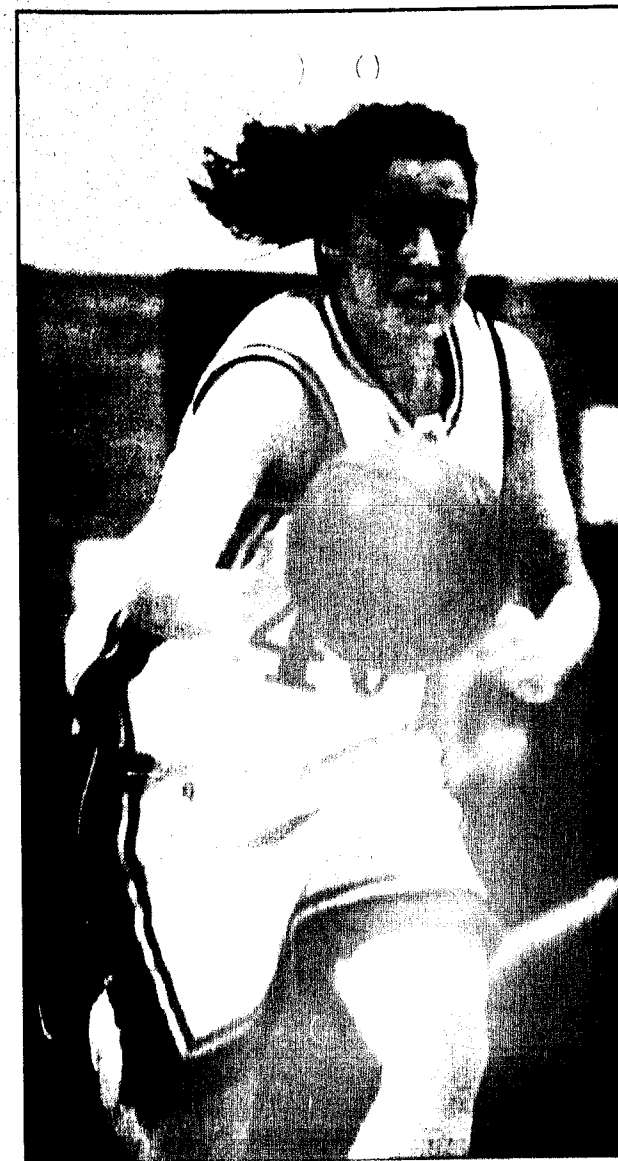
The 'Hounds began practice Monday with their first game coming in the Savannah Tournament Dec. 1.

Boy's Schedule

Dec. 1-6	at Savannah Tourney	TBA
Dec. 8	at South Harrison	7 p.m.
Dec. 11	at Benton	5 p.m.
Dec. 15-18	Spoofhound Shootout	
Dec. 27-31	MCMC Shootout	
Jan. 9	at Savannah	5 p.m.
Jan. 13	Auburn	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 16	at Falls City	4:30 p.m.
Jan. 20	Mid Buchanan	5 p.m.
Jan. 23	Chillicothe	5 p.m.
Jan. 27	at Lafayette	5 p.m.
Jan. 29	at East Buchanan	5 p.m.
Feb. 3	at LeBlond	5 p.m.
Feb. 6	Smithville	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 9	at Clarinda	4:45 p.m.
Feb. 13	Benton	5 p.m.
Feb. 20	Savannah	5 p.m.
Feb. 24	at Cameron	5:30 p.m.

Girl's Schedule

Dec. 1-6	at Savannah Tourney	TB/
Dec. 8	at South Harrison	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 9	at Lafayette	5 p.m.
Dec. 15-18	Spoofhound Shootout	
Dec. 29-31	LeBlond Tourney	
Jan. 9	Lafayette	5 p.m.
Jan. 10	Clarinda	1 p.m.
Jan. 16	at Falls City	4:30 p.m.
Jan. 23	at North Platte	5 p.m.
Jan. 26	at Mid Buchanan	5 p.m.
Jan. 30	Savannah	5 p.m.
Feb. 2	Renaissance Acad.	5 p.m.
Feb. 5	at Smithville	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 10	Chillicothe	5 p.m.
Feb. 12	at Benton	5 p.m.
Feb. 17	Nebraska City	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 19	at Savannah	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 24	Cameron	5:30 p.m.



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SOPHOMORE SHANNON MCCLELLAN helped the Spoofhound girls to a 17-7 record last season, a 17 win turnaround from the year before.

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MEGAN BRUE HELPED lead the Bearcats last season during their MIAA championship run. Brue is one of four seniors for coach Gene Steinmeyer.

Experienced starters must lead young team

By Brian Bosiljevac
University Sports Editor

The Northwest women's basketball team features 10 new names on this year's roster.

The team's new additions include freshmen and transfers.

"We are a fairly young team," head coach Gene Steinmeyer said. "The starting lineup is not going to be young though. We'll have four seniors in the starting lineup. Our seniors are solid. They've been working hard. They are as good of a senior class as I've had here in the ten years I've been here."

Senior Amber Vandevender said this senior class is excited and expects a lot from their team, each other and themselves.

Another senior Megan Brue thinks it's the seniors' job to lead this young squad throughout the course of the season.

"Definitely, I have been here the longest," Brue said. "I am the captain, it's my job to be a leader. We (seniors) expect to really work hard. We need to set an example for all the new players."

Steinmeyer said he is not worried about how his starters will perform but instead worries about what he can expect from his players coming off the bench.

It isn't the reserves' talent level he is so concerned with; it's their ability to play. Steinmeyer said preseason has been slowed down by injuries and the only ones who have been constantly on the court throughout the off-season are the four seniors: Brue, Vandevender, Micaela Urieli and Jessica Burton.

Along with the seniors Stein-

meyer said three freshmen- Tara Roach, Shelley Martin and Kate Dekker- have seen sufficient court time during the preseason as well. With only a few people receiving sufficient playing time during the off-season, it's tough to tell what to expect from everyone else.

The team has three Division I transfers. One (Gentry Dietz) is out for the season with a knee injury and the other two (Rickeya McElroy and Abby Henry) are both battling back injuries. This leaves Roach as the starting post who has a bad back herself.

Northwest did lose its leading scorer from last year, Mandi Schumacher. Schumacher, also the team's top rebounder, helped lead the Bearcats to an improbable MIAA championship and NCAA regional upset of the No. 1 team in the region, West Texas A&M.

There is one senior who is using the end of last year's season only as motivation for this year. Vandevender missed all of last year's post-season with a back injury.

"Yeah, it was definitely not fun sitting and watching towards the end of last year," Vandevender said. "It gives me an extra boost going into this year though. Now I know I have to go after every game like it could be my last."

Although the 'Cats hope to have the same success the team had last year, chances are they will be doing it in different ways.

Schumacher was a huge threat down low last year, Steinmeyer said. Without her, the team will be forced to redefine the way they play their game.

"This year without her (Schu-

macher) down low we will have to be more finesse because we are small," Steinmeyer said.

Even with the loss of Schumacher, the team was picked to finish third in the MIAA preseason coaches' poll and even received votes to be ranked nationally.

Steinmeyer said he isn't paying much attention to the polls though. He thinks their preseason rankings don't matter at all.

"I'll tell you one thing," Steinmeyer said. "The people who made those predictions are good at coaching but lousy predictors; to us it doesn't mean anything."

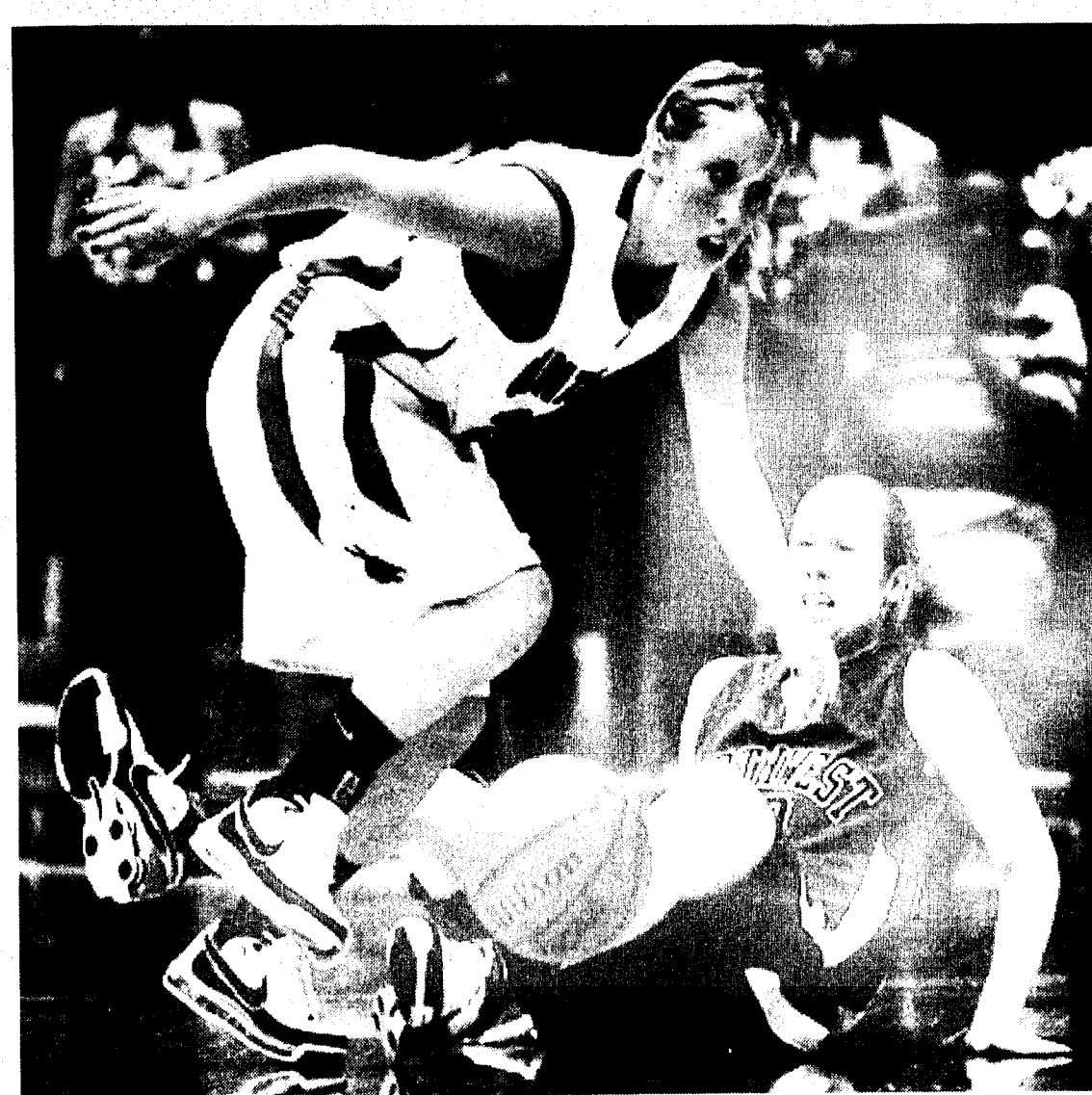
The polls aren't the only thing that Steinmeyer isn't paying attention to.

Steinmeyer's impressive resume will have him entering this season just nine wins shy of 500 for his career.

"It just means I'm getting old," Steinmeyer laughed. "Five hundred doesn't mean much. I can't even tell you how many I even need (wins) to get there."

The Bearcats have already begun their season with an exhibition match against Division I, Illinois State. The 'Cats dropped the game 88-56. It was Roach who led the 'Cats with 13 points. Roach added seven rebounds in their first collegiate game.

Vandevender and Brue agreed that although they gave up a lot of points to Illinois State, they saw a lot of really good things from their team. They said they recognized things that needed to be improved, but aren't too worried and are encouraged by the way the team played against a team picked to finish first in the Missouri Valley Conference.



SENIOR FORWARD JESSICA Burton will help Tara Roach adjust to life as a college basketball player. So far, it's working; Roach scored 13 points in their first game.

Freshman follows big brother

By Brian Bosiljevac
University Sports Editor

Tyler Roach is a junior defensive tackle for the Northwest football team. He leads the Bearcats in sacks and ranks third in tackles for losses. He has forced one fumble this year and recovered a fumble as well. Tyler is among the best on the Northwest football team, but it is his younger sister Tara Roach who is trying to find her way into the world of Northwest athletics.

"Tyler told me that it is going to be tough to play sports in college but he helped prepare me for it," Tara said. "It's really nice because he is here to answer any questions I have. Plus everyone knows my brother. Everyone is always like 'it's Tyler's little sister.'"

It might not be long until it's Tyler who is known as Tara's big brother. Tara is a freshman forward for the Northwest women's basketball team. She stood out to head coach Gene Steinmeyer this off-season and has emerged as a strong candidate to join the team's four seniors in the starting lineup.

Tyler admitted there is something of a sibling rivalry between the two but is happy to see his sister doing well at Northwest.

"It's kind of like we're at high school again," Tyler said. "We always are going to try to better than each other though."

Tyler and Tara both had successful careers at Elkhorn High School in Elkhorn, Neb. Tyler helped the Antler football team make the state playoffs every year he was there. Tara contributed to the first state appearance for the Antler basketball team in eight years during her senior year.

Steinmeyer hopes Tara can have success similar to her days in high school but admits it's tough to tell how things will go for Tara throughout the season. High school basketball usually ends in February which means there is an extra two months of basketball these freshmen aren't used to, Steinmeyer said.

Tara's aggressiveness is what sets her apart from the others, Steinmeyer said. She has an aggressiveness that is not seen in many first year players.

"She's the whole package," Steinmeyer said. "We are lacking in height, and she makes up for some of that. She has a little bit of an attitude, but it's a good attitude that is exciting to see. She is a hard worker, and she's tough too. Right now, she's playing with a herniated disc in her

spine. So yeah, she is very tough."

Being the starting forward as a freshman alongside four seniors has Tara filled with emotions. Cool, tough, hard work, challenging and scary are the words Tara used to explain how she feels about this new challenge in front of her.

"The seniors help out a lot," Tara said. "If I ever have any questions or can't remember the plays, they always pull me aside and explain things to me. They are really supportive. When I get upset or down on myself they always help pick me back up."

It seems just as Tyler is having a great year on the football field, Tara is preparing for a bright future on the basketball court. The two definitely share a competitive nature, but do disagree on one thing, who would win one on one.

"Me, I would definitely beat her. She wouldn't even score any points against me," Tyler said.

Tara laughed after hearing what her brother had to say.

"Are you kidding me?" Tara said. "Tyler would not have a chance. Well maybe, he is a lot bigger than me, but if it was a fast paced game that would be a different story. If it was a game of speed, I think I'd be all right."

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